

Nucleon-antinucleon annihilation at LEAR

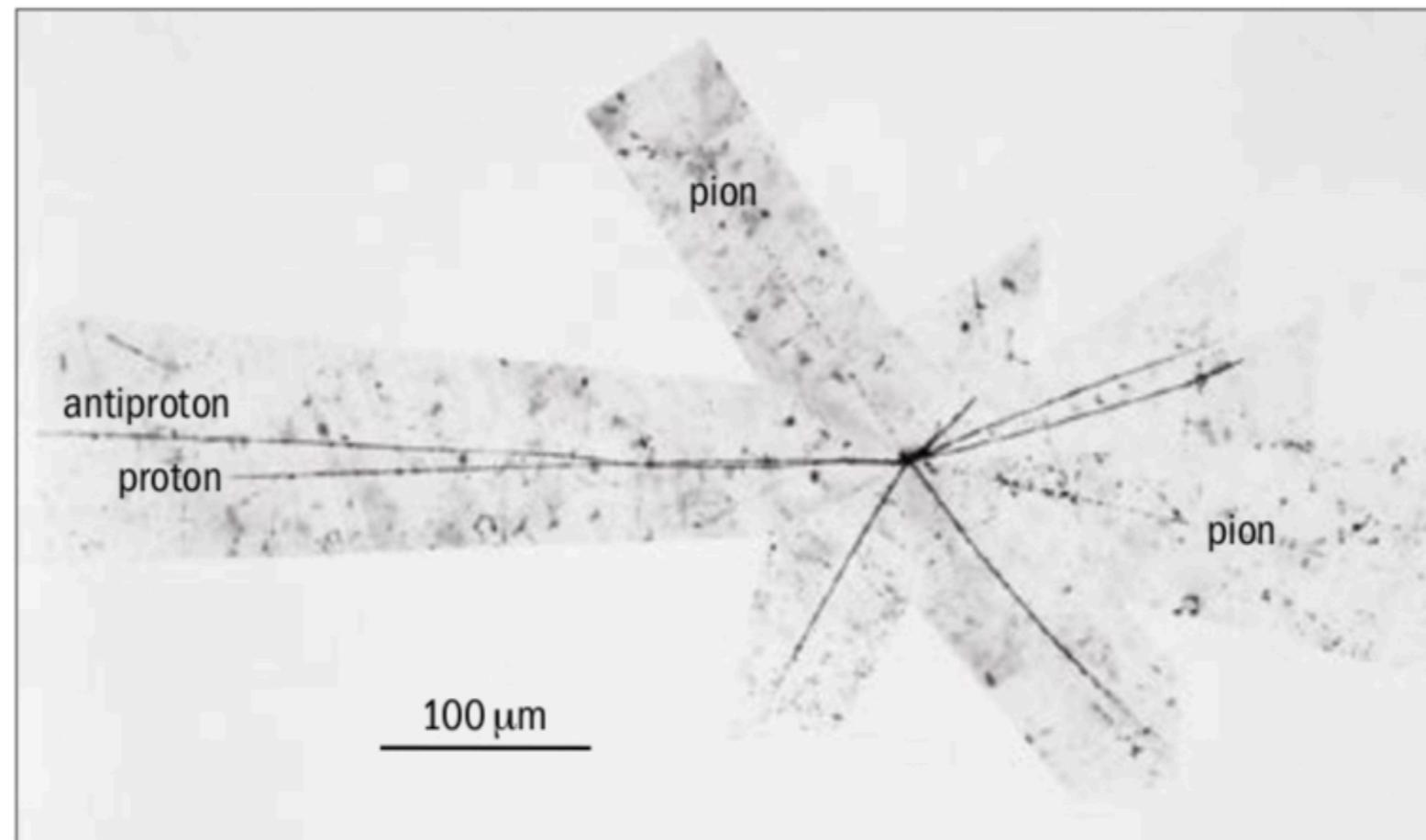
...and what we (do not) understand about $\bar{N}N$ annihilation

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One of the first annihilations observed in emulsions



1956, Bevatron, Berkeley

O Chamberlain et al. 1956 *Nuov. Cim.* 3 447

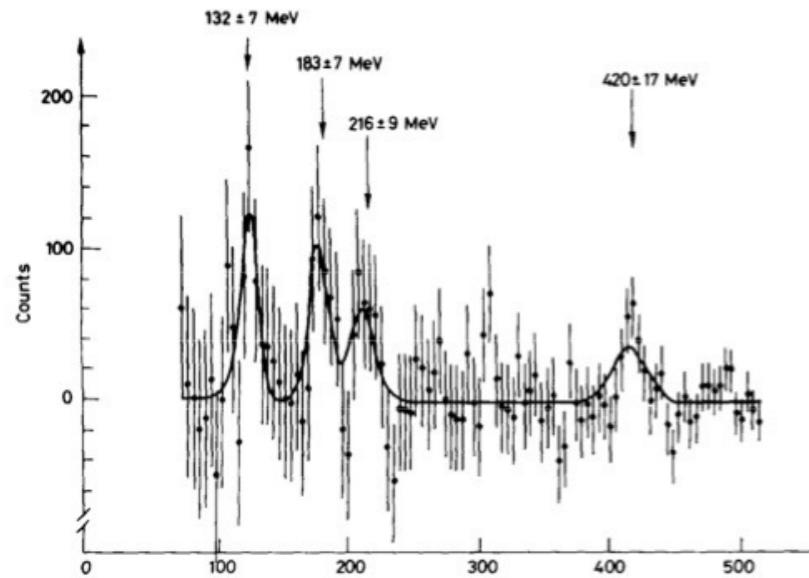
1970's: Evidence for $\bar{N}N$ bound states and resonances

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bibliography

Bound states

\bar{p} (stop) $p \rightarrow \gamma X$

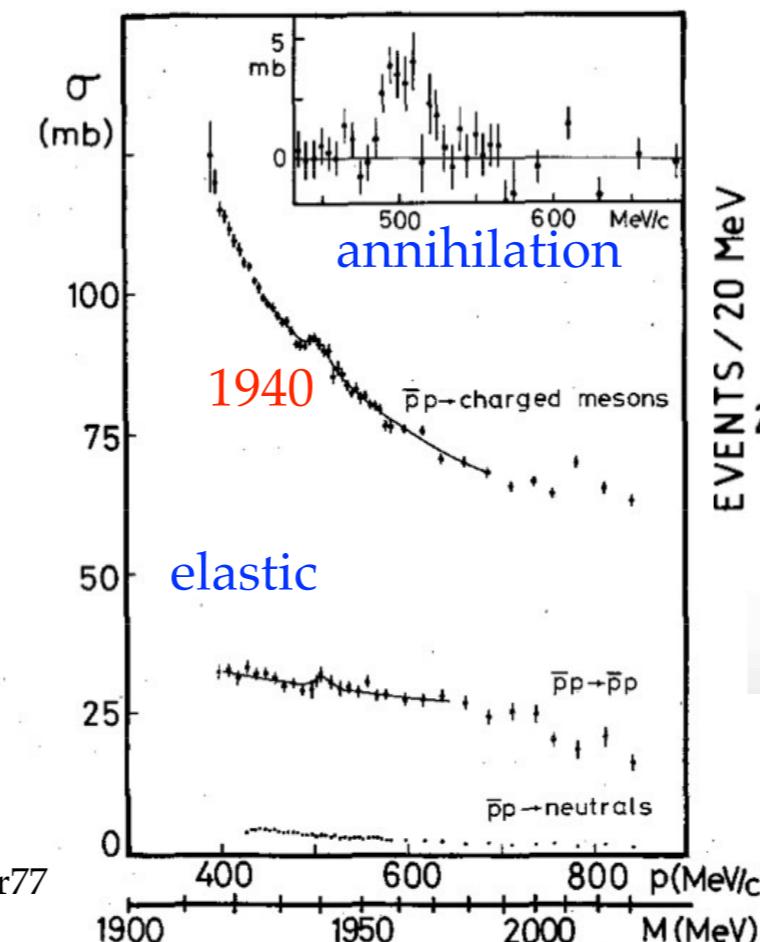


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Resonances $M > 2m_p$

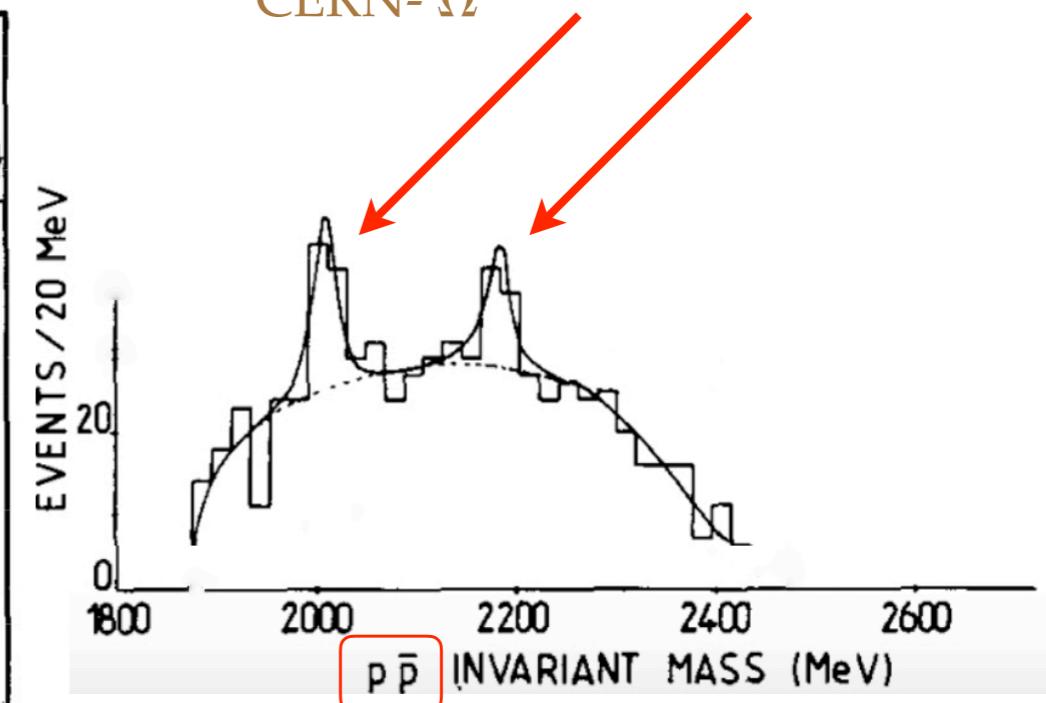
$\bar{p}p$ cross section
CERN-PS



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$\pi^-p \rightarrow p(p\bar{p})\pi^-$
9 GeV/c pions

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...and seen by many others at Brookhaven, KEK...

Bound states and resonances (**baryonium**)
were predicted in the $\bar{N}N$ system due to the
attractive short range force.

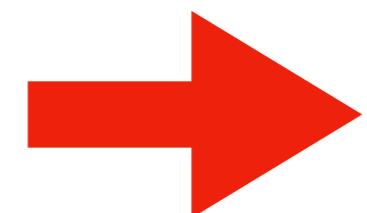
$\bar{N}N$ potential =
 NN potential \times **G-parity** of exchanged meson

Short distance NN: repulsive ω exchange

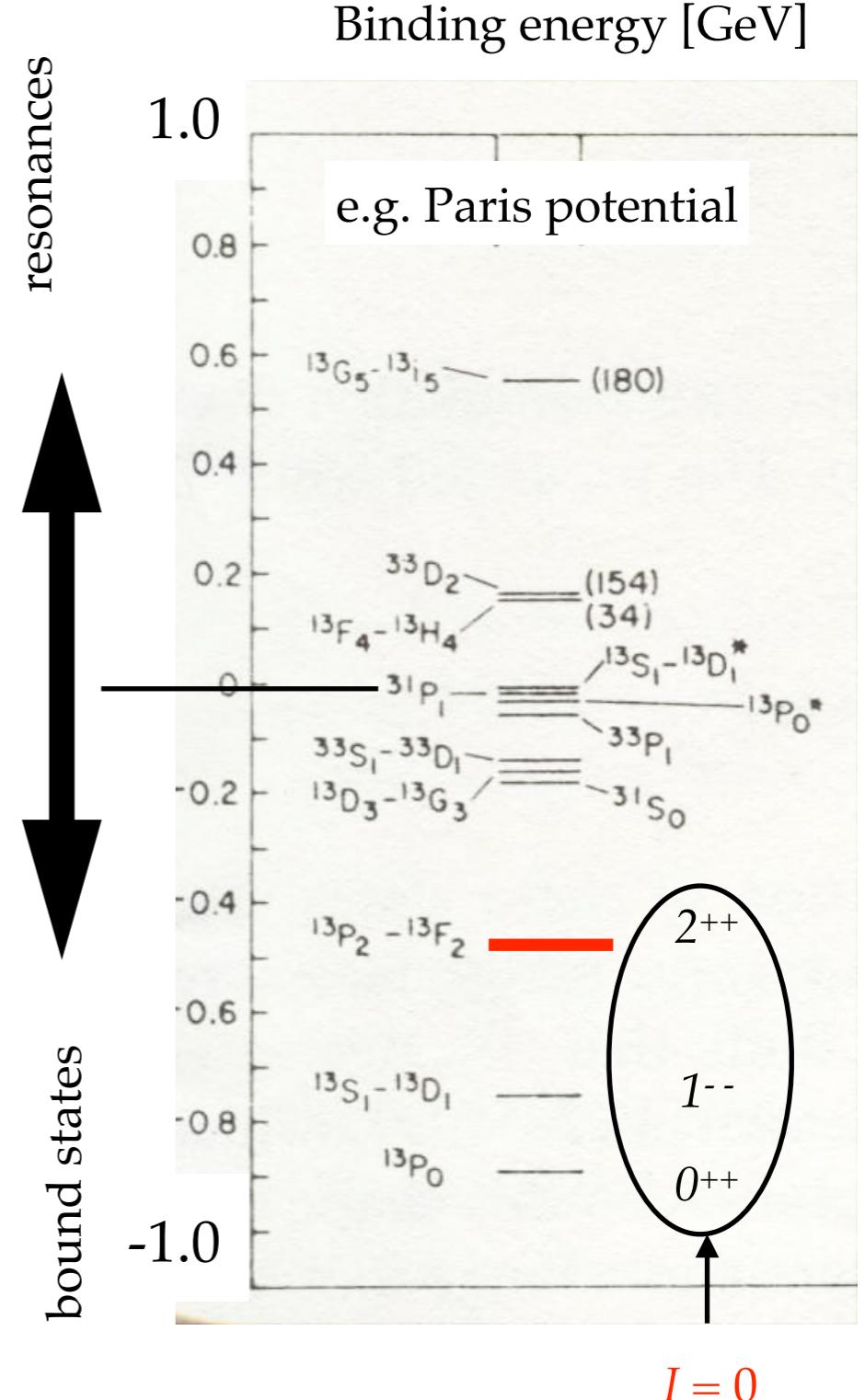
$G(\omega) = -1$: central force is **attractive** for ω

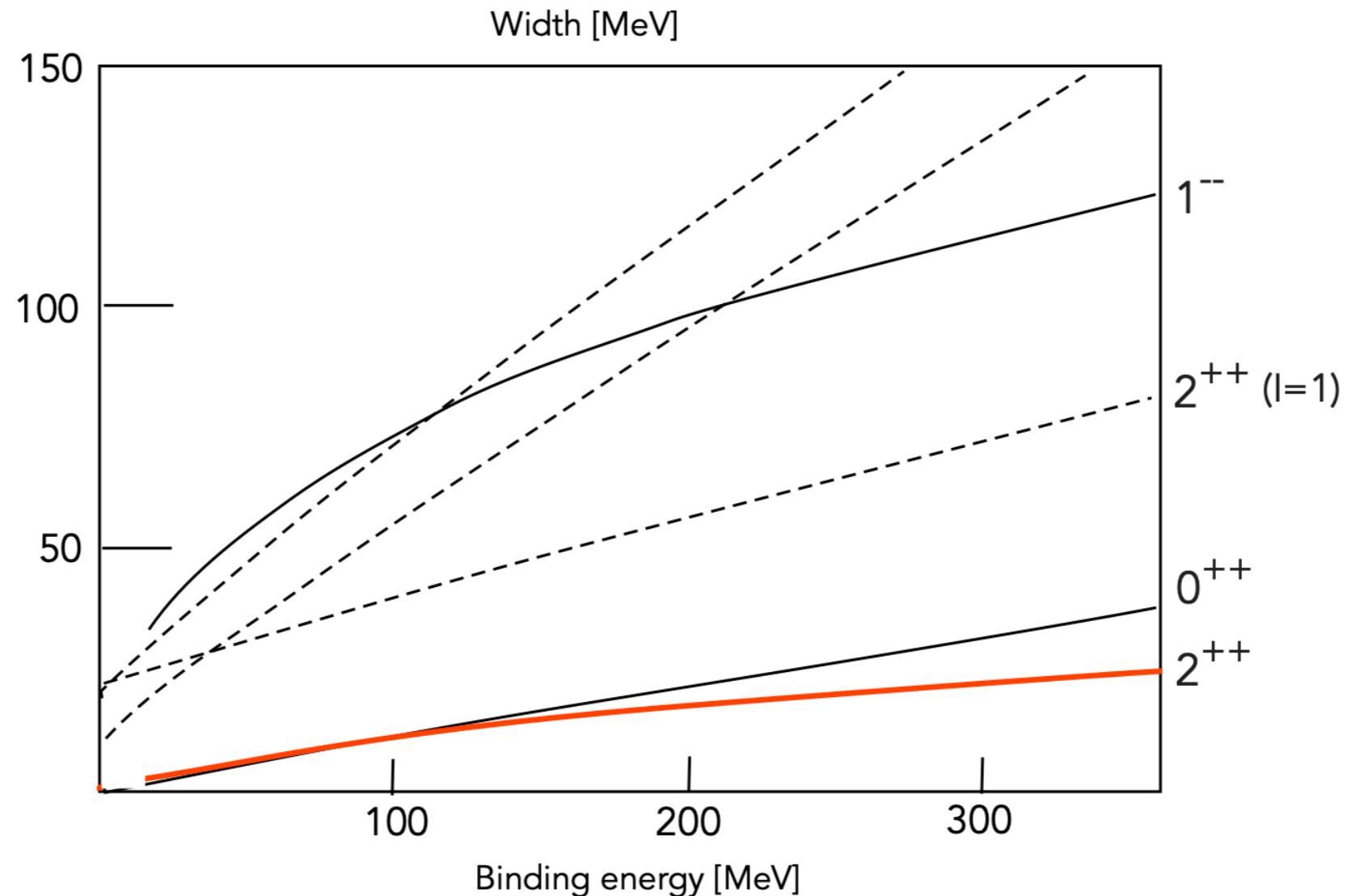
for both $\bar{p}p$ isospin $I = 0$ and 1

ρ contributes repulsion in isospin 1



Deeply bound: isospin 0 (charge neutral states)



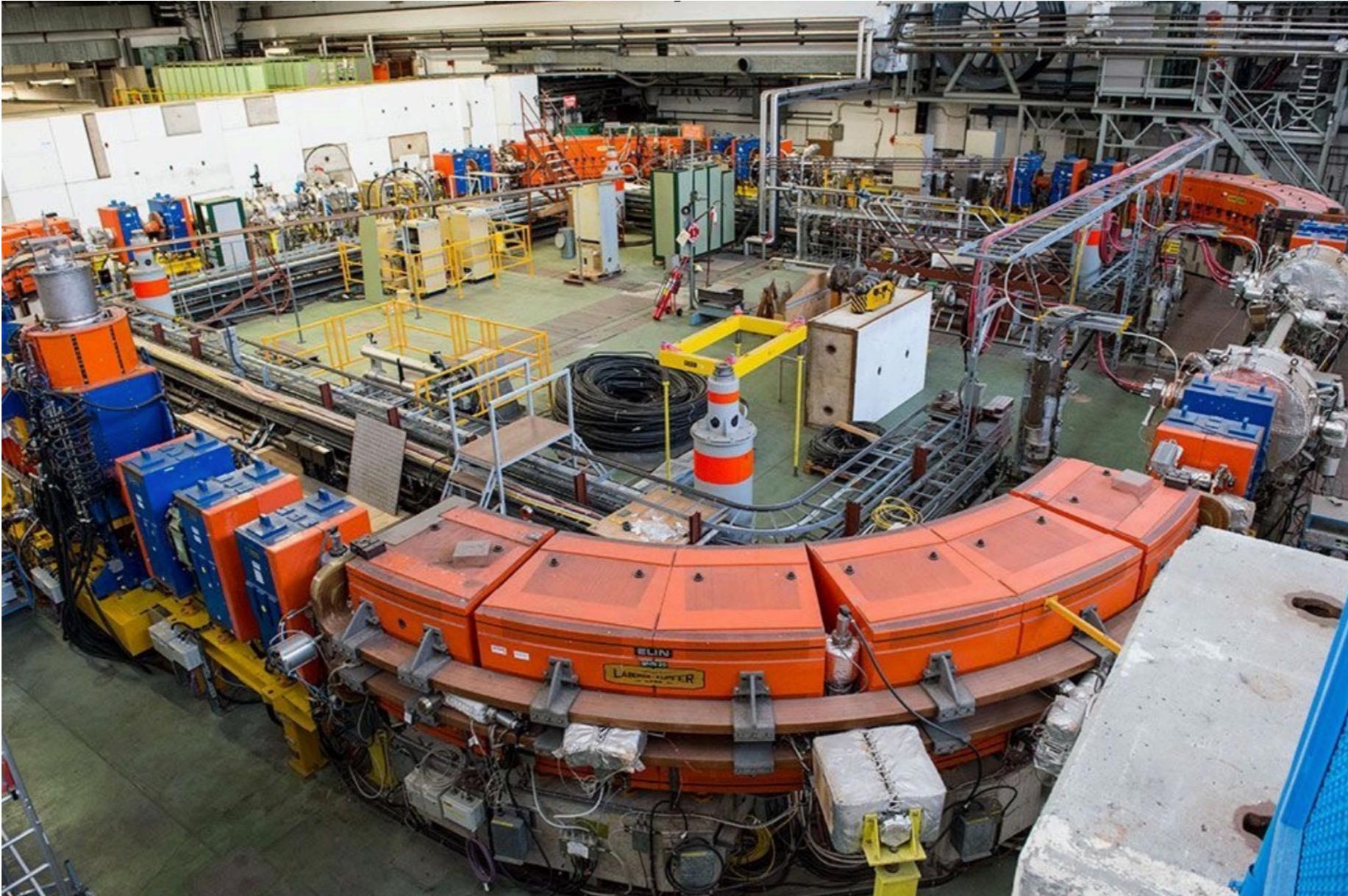


Short lifetime due to the **annihilation** process (range uncertain ~ 1 fm?): **larger widths**

Narrow $I = 0$ states: $2^{++}, 0^{++}$

Main motivation for building a high intensity low energy,
narrow momentum bite, and pure antiproton beam (LEAR)

Low Energy Antiproton Ring in the CERN South Hall (LEAR, 1983-1996)



$3.5 \text{ GeV}/c \bar{p}$ into PS, $600 \text{ MeV}/c$ from PS into LEAR $\rightarrow [60 \text{ (2 MeV)} — 1940] \text{ MeV}/c$,
stochastic cooling, extraction (1 hour spill) to simultaneously > 1 experiment, $\Delta p/p < 10^{-3}$, $10^6/\text{s}$

($1 \bar{p} / 15 \text{ min}$ in 1955 at Berkeley!)

...but the states were not found at LEAR, **baryonium** remained elusive

Total of 35 LEAR Experiments, 15(?) on annihilation:

 350 publications

PS170 Precision Measurements of the Proton Electromagnetic Form Factors in the Time-like Region and Vector Meson Spectroscopy

PS171 Study of Proton-Antiproton Interactions at Rest in a H₂ Gas Target at LEAR (**ASTERIX**) 

PS173 Measurement of Antiproton-Proton Cross-Sections at Low Antiproton Momenta

PS177 Study of the Fission Decay of Heavy Hypernuclei

PS179 Study of the Interaction of Low-Energy Antiprotons with H₂,He₃,He₄,Ne-Nuclei Using a Streamer Chamber in Magnetic Field

PS182 Investigations on Baryonium and Other Rare pp Annihilation Modes Using High-Resolution π^0 Spectrometers

PS183 Search for Bound NN States Using a Precision Gamma and Charged Pion Spectrometer at LEAR

PS184 Study of Antiproton-Nucleus Interaction with a High Resolution SPESII Magnetic Spectrometer

PS186 Nuclear Excitations by Antiprotons and Antiprotonic Atoms

PS187 A high statistics study of antiproton interactions with nuclei

PS197 The **Crystal Barrel**: Meson Spectroscopy at LEAR with a 4π Detector 

PS201 Study of antiproton and antineutron annihilations at LEAR with **OBELIX**, a large acceptance and high resolution detector based on the Open Axial Field Spectrometer 

PS202 JETSET: Physics at LEAR with an Internal Gas Jet Target and an Advanced General Purpose Detector

PS203 Antiproton Induced Fission and Fragmentation

PS208 Decay of Hot Nuclei at Low Spins Production by Antiproton-Annihilation in Heavy Nuclei

Global features of proton-antiproton annihilation at rest

Charged particles : from bubble chamber data **at rest** (~1970, CERN & Brookhaven)

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Prong (charged)	%
0	4.1 (+0.2-0.6)
2	43.2 (+0.9-0.7)
4	48.6 (+0.9-0.7)
6	4.1 (+0.2-0.2)

contain $\sim 7\% \eta$, $\sim 6\% K$

and $\sim 60\%$ of all annihilations have $> 1 \pi^0$

→ unknown before Crystal Barrel at LEAR

Fireball, pions evaporate from hot gas?

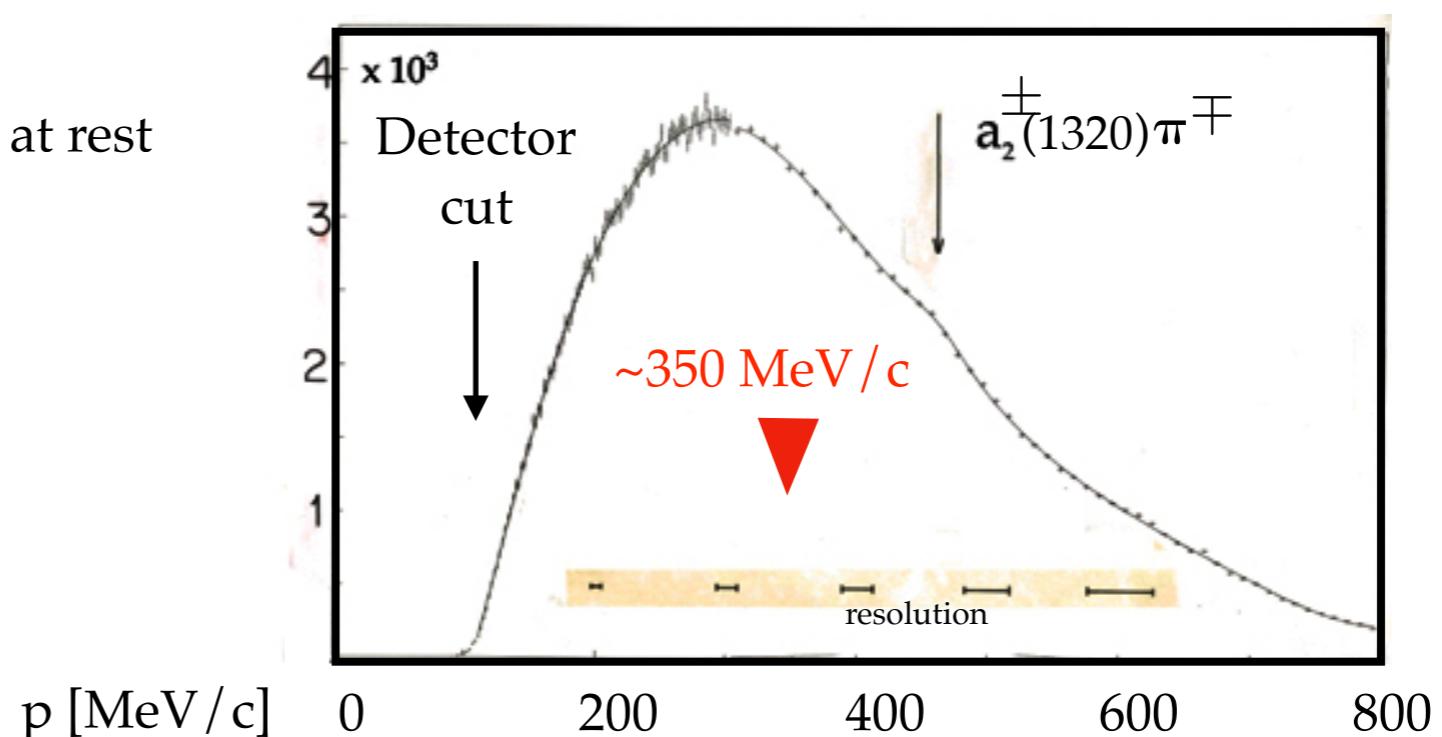
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More complicated:

- mostly via intermediate resonances:
e.g. $2\pi^+ 2\pi^- \pi^0 : \omega \rho^0, \omega f_2(1270), \dots$
- QN conservation rules from $\bar{p}p$ at rest (S, P atomic states)

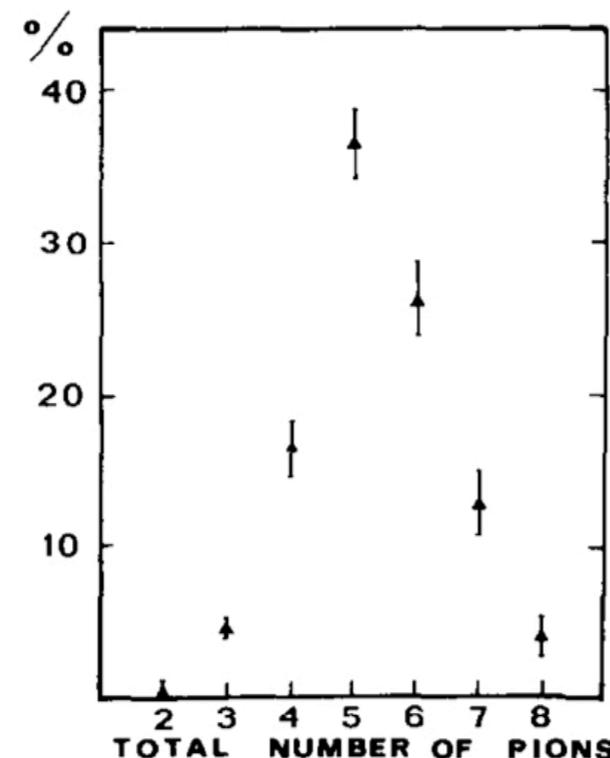
Inclusive charged pion spectrum $\bar{p}p$ at rest
(ASTERIX)

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Charged + neutral
pion multiplicity

Pion multiplicity



1.6 GeV/c in Gargamelle (CERN) bubble chamber
with heavy liquid (propane-freon) and converting
the photons (e^+e^-) from neutral pions

$$\langle n(\pi^0) \rangle = 1.92 \pm 0.04$$

$$\langle n(\pi^\pm) \rangle = 3.46 \pm 0.04$$

Statistical distribution

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\bar{p} at rest: distribution not available before LEAR (due to low antiproton fluxes at low energy). In particular no data on multineutral pion multiplicities

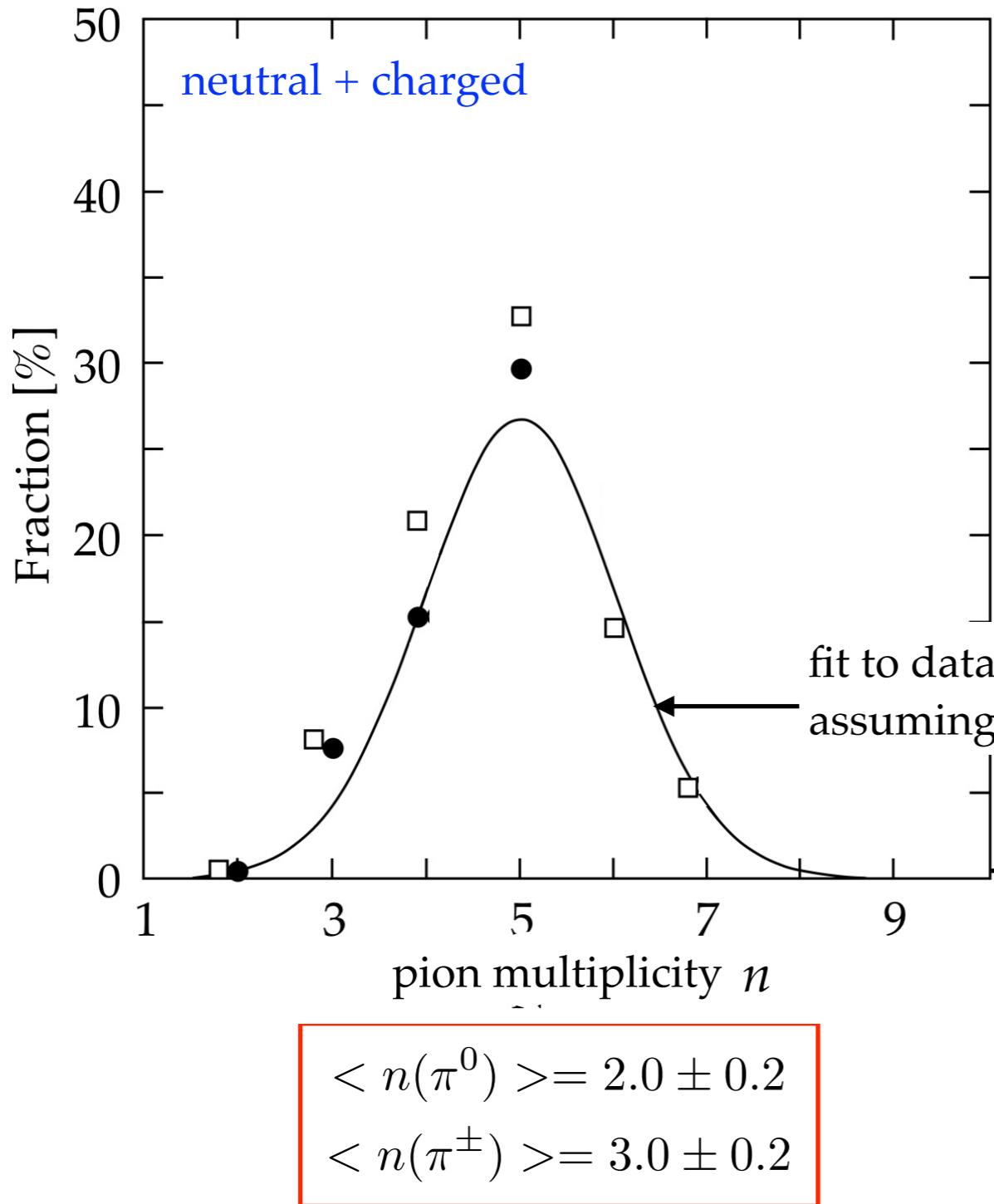
Distribution between neutral and charged
for a given number of pions n

Factorial law:

$$\frac{1}{n_+! n_-! n_0!}, \quad n = n_+ + n_- + n_0$$

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Current status at rest: liquid H₂



● data (BBC + Crystal Barrel)

□ factorial law using data

e.g. $6\pi^\pm$ is known but not $6\pi^0$

2π	0.50 (0.01)	0.33 (0.01)
3π	8.1 (0.5)	7.5 (0.4)
4π	20.9 (1.8)	16.5 (0.6)
5π	33.3 (1.2)	30.0 (0.9)
6π	14.7 (1.4)	
7π	7.0 (0.7)	

$\%$

$$\sigma = 1.04 \pm 0.01$$

$$\text{total} = 84.5 \%, \text{add } K, \eta, \omega \rightarrow \pi^0 \gamma \dots$$

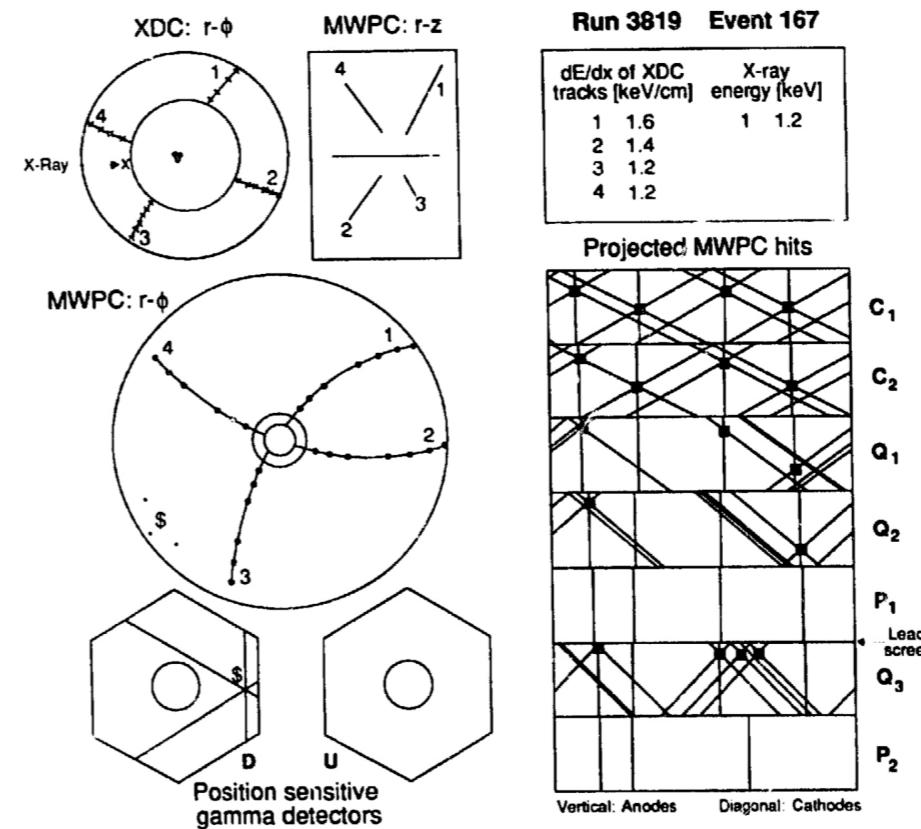
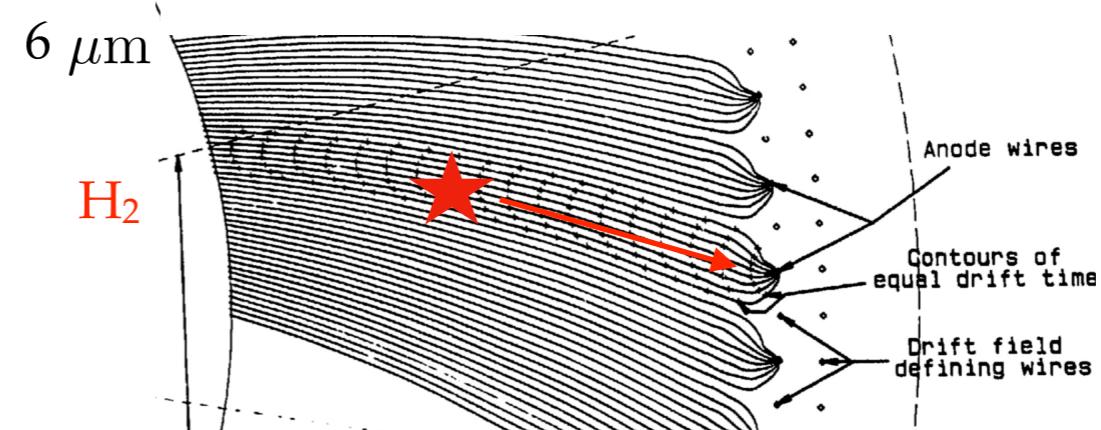
Fair to good agreement

Solenoid 8kG (DM1 from LAL-Orsay)

105 MeV/c \bar{p} , H₂ gas at NTP



argon/ethane X-ray drift chamber (>1 keV)



4 prong event

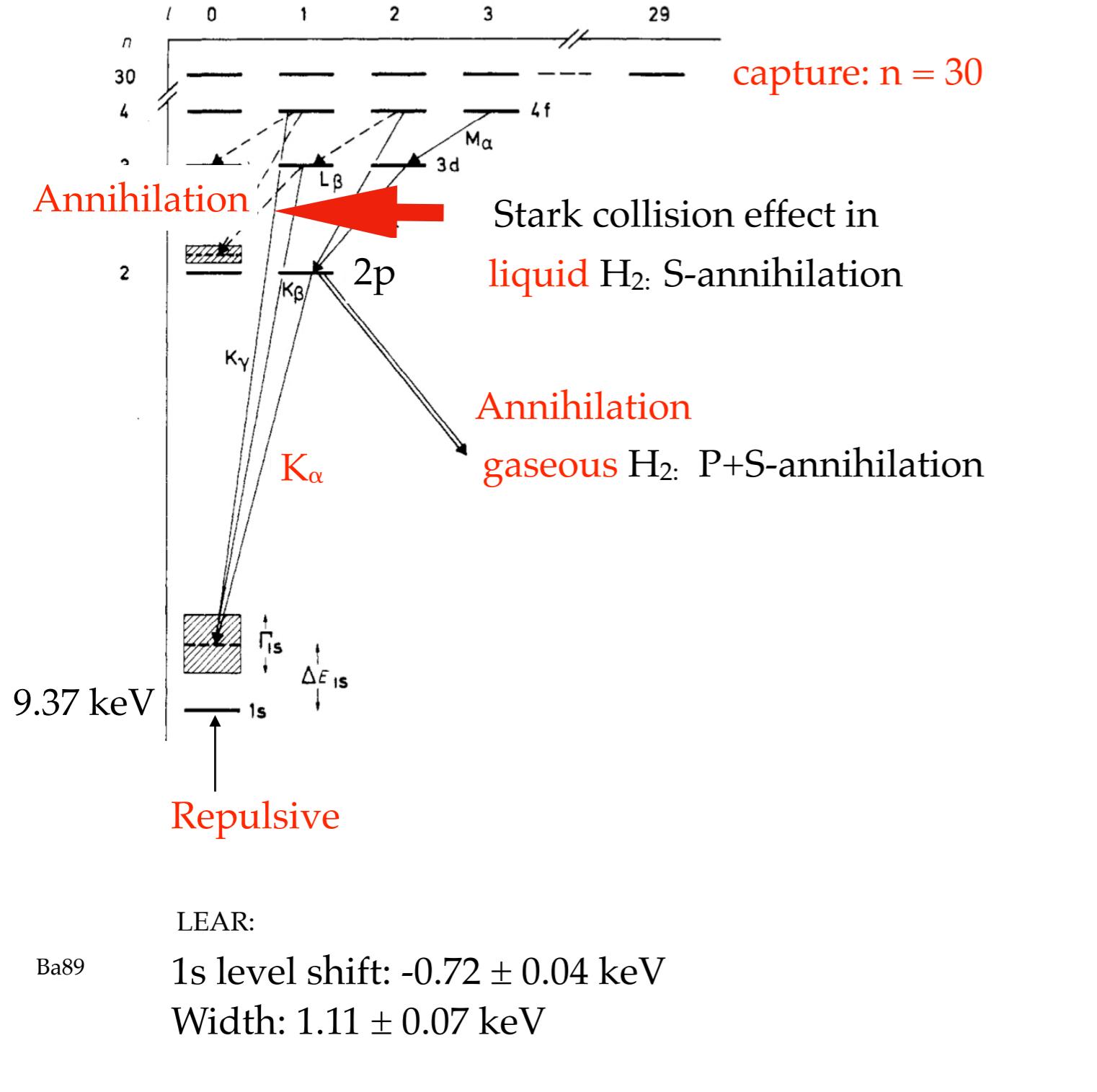
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cathode strips

limited γ capability with Pb converter

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Stopping \bar{p} in H₂ leads to $\bar{p}p$ atoms

(e.g. next talk)



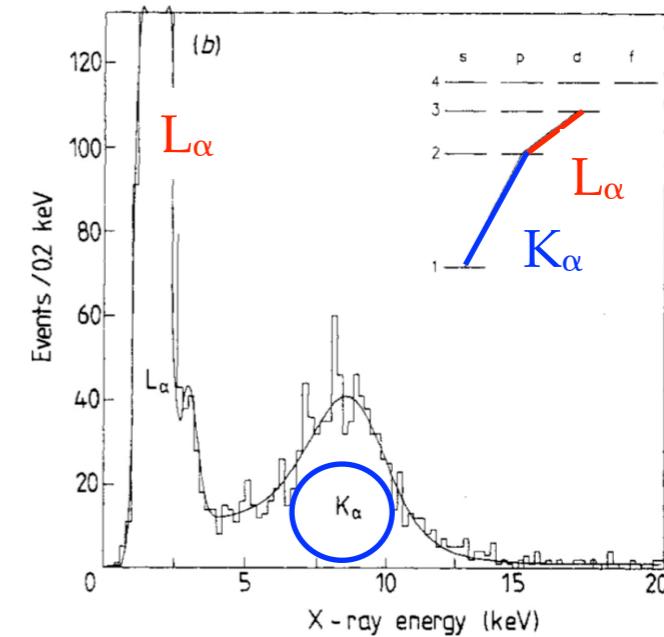
First observation of K_α

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ASTERIX in gas at NTP

Reduce bremsstrahlung from prongs:

0 prong + L-coincidence



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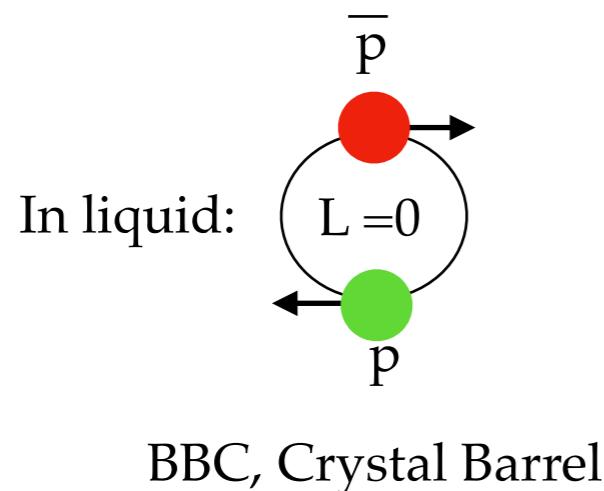
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LEAR:
1s level shift: -0.72 ± 0.04 keV

Width: 1.11 ± 0.07 keV

Vary target density: new annihilation spectroscopy

Mostly annihilation from S-states:

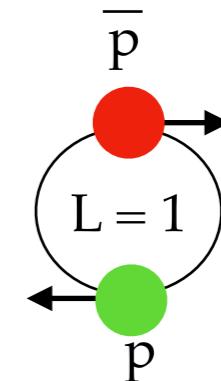


BBC, Crystal Barrel

Annihilation from P-state (2p):

gas NTP: ~13% L / ann.

Trigger on L-series:



NEW by ASTERIX!

In gas @ NTP (no trigger): ~50/50 S/P

Fraction of P-wave in liquid and gas at rest:

$$\bar{p}p \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-, K^+ K^-, K^0 \bar{K}^0$$

$$J^{PC} = 0^{++}, 1^{--}, 2^{++} \dots n^3P_0, n^3S_1, n^3P_2$$

$$\bar{p}p \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0$$

$$0^{++}, 2^{++} \dots n^3P_0, n^3P_2 \quad \text{suppressed in liquid H}_2$$

- P wave in liquid:

$$f_p = \frac{B(\pi^0 \pi^0)_{liq}}{B(\pi^+ \pi^-)_{2p}/2}$$

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$\pi^0 \pi^0$ is hard to measure in liquid because of much stronger $\pi^0 \pi^0 \pi^0$



4π photon high resolution detector (Crystal Barrel)
and well defined stopping distribution (< 1 mm, 200 MeV/c @LEAR)

Needs cascade calculation with potential models (hadronic widths)
because $n \geq 2$ contributes to $\pi^0 \pi^0$

$$f_p = (13 \pm 4)\%$$

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- P-wave in gas (NTP): $K^0 \bar{K}^0 : K_S K_L$ C=-1 hence S-wave only

$$B(K^0 \bar{K}^0)_S = B(\text{liq})/87\% = (8.7 \pm 0.6) \times 10^{-4} \quad \text{and} \quad f_S \text{ in gas (} K_S K_L, \text{ ASTERIX)}$$



S-fraction

$$\rightarrow f_P = 1 - f_S = (56 \pm 7)\% \quad \text{NTP}$$

Do88

$$: K_S K_S \quad C=+1 \quad \text{hence P-wave only}$$

$$K^0 \bar{K}^0 \quad (8.7 \pm 0.6) \times 10^{-4} \quad S$$

ASTERIX: 4 prong, L-coincidence, $K_S K_S$

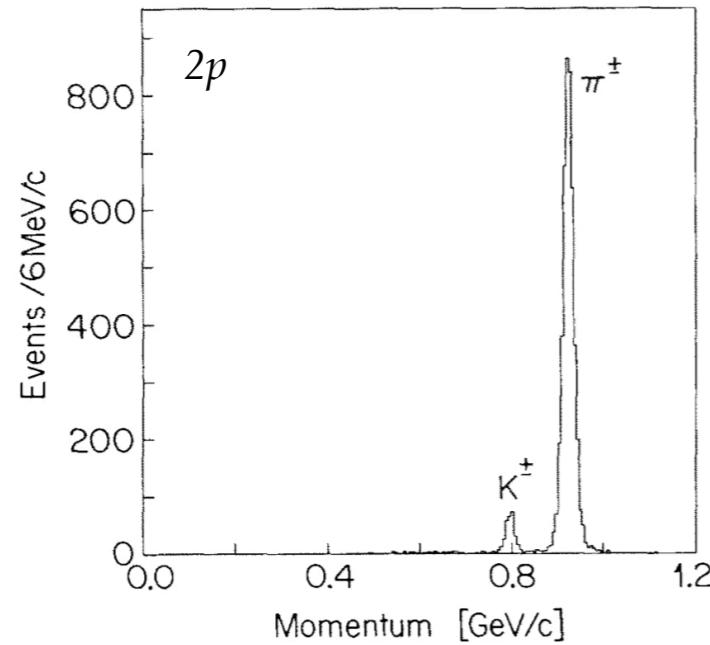
$$K^0 \bar{K}^0 \quad (7.4 \pm 2.8) \times 10^{-5} \quad P$$

$\sim 10 \times$ suppression from P-wave!

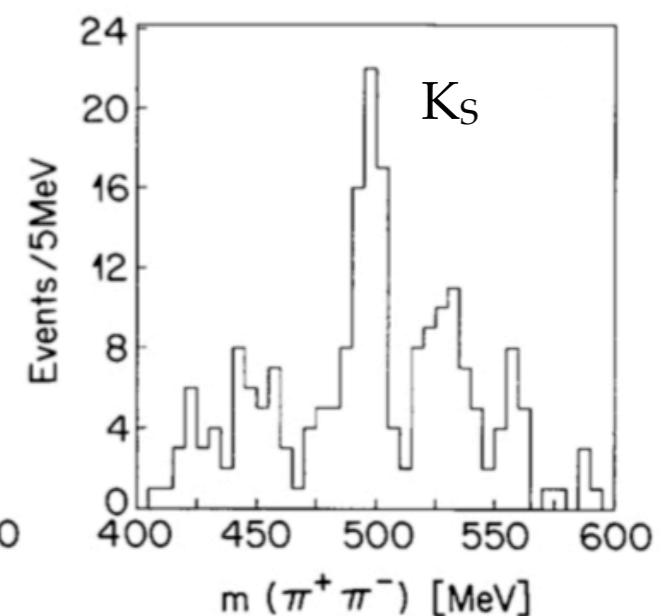
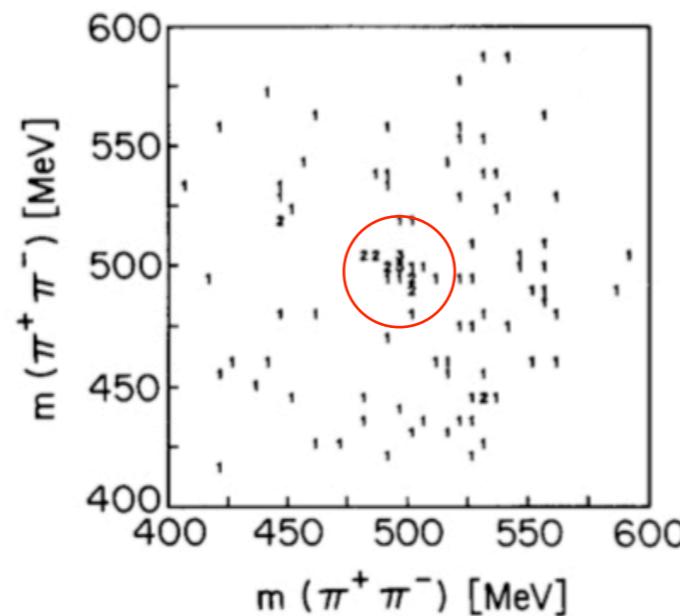
$K^+ K^- \quad \sim 5 \times$ suppressed from P-wave!

$$(2.87 \pm 0.51) \times 10^{-4}$$

P-wave (ASTERIX)



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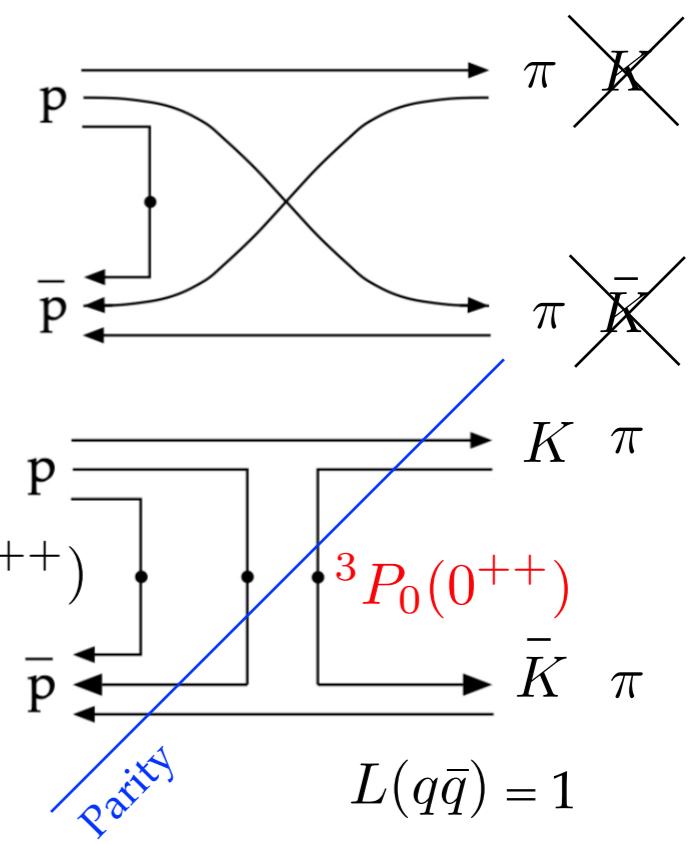
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Origin of suppression?

Dynamic selection rule
not understood!

Quarks in 3P_0 model?

$${}^3P_0(0^{++}), {}^3P_2(2^{++})$$



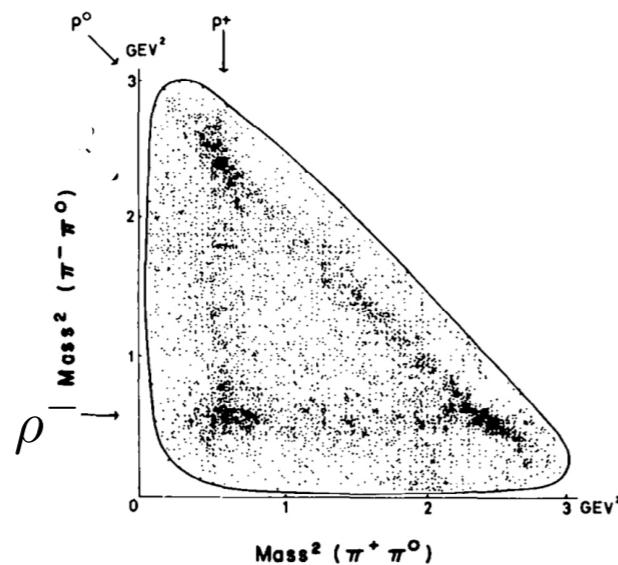
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Benefit from P-wave annihilation: at last a **baryonium** state?

Liquid (BBC)

$$\pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0$$

Dalitz plot



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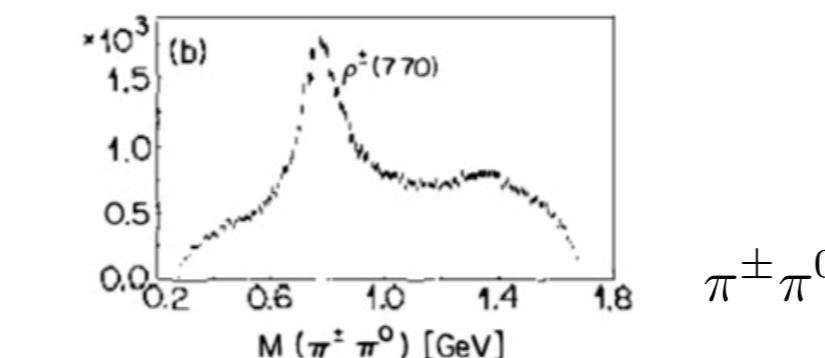
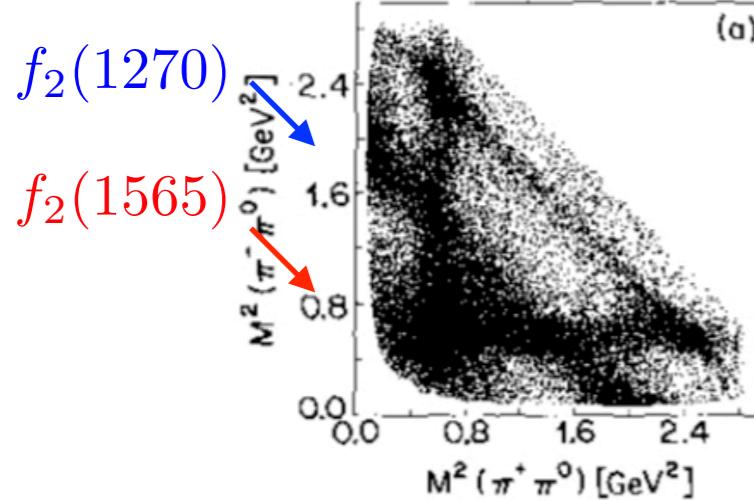
$\rho\pi$ mostly 3S_1 (from angular distribution)
 1S_0 suppressed

$\rho\pi$ puzzle is also not understood

AMy

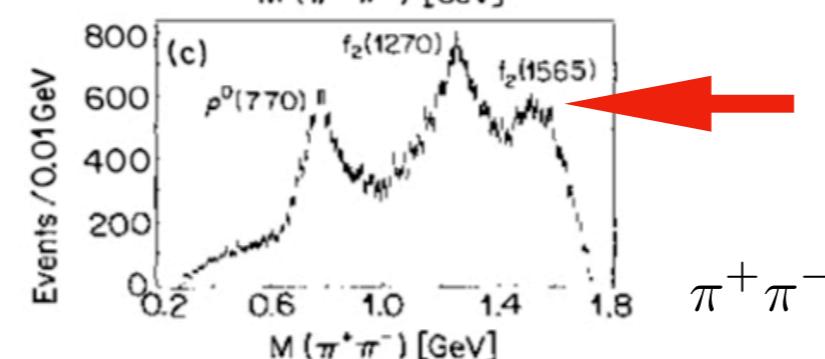
H₂ gas

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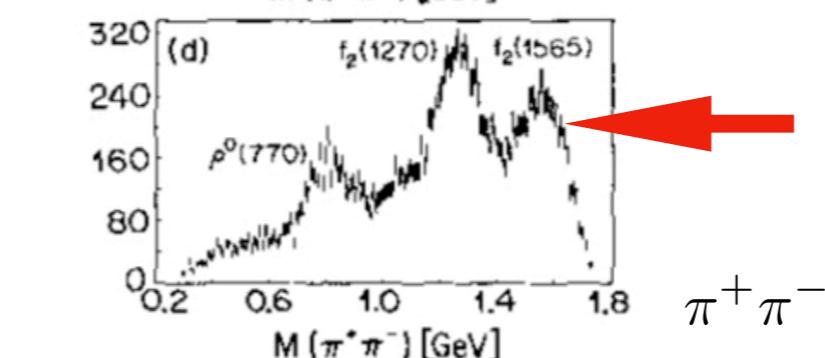
$$\pi^\pm \pi^0$$

no charged mode: $I = 0$



$$\pi^+ \pi^-$$

2^{++} , $I=0$, $m=1565$, $\Gamma=134$ MeV



$$\pi^+ \pi^-$$

2p strong signal

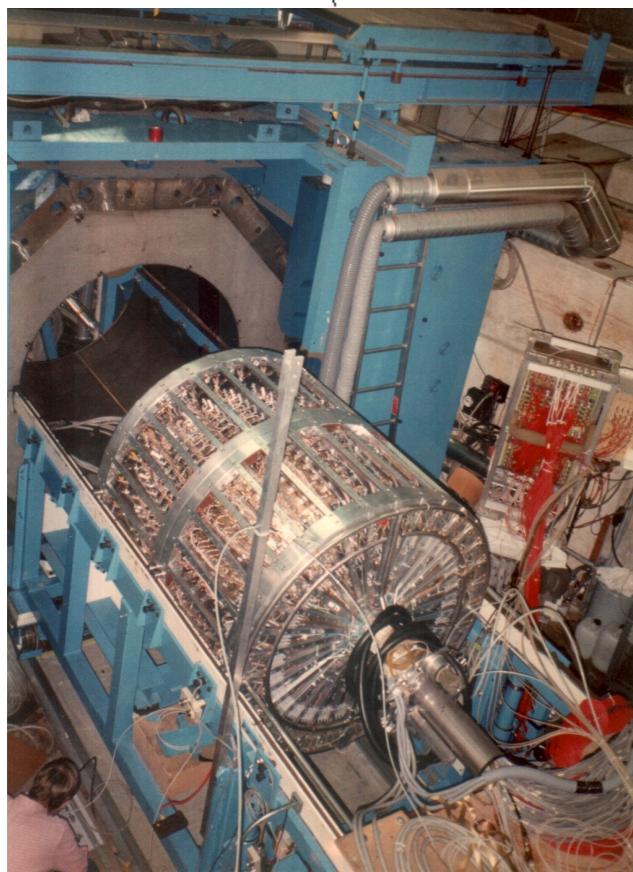
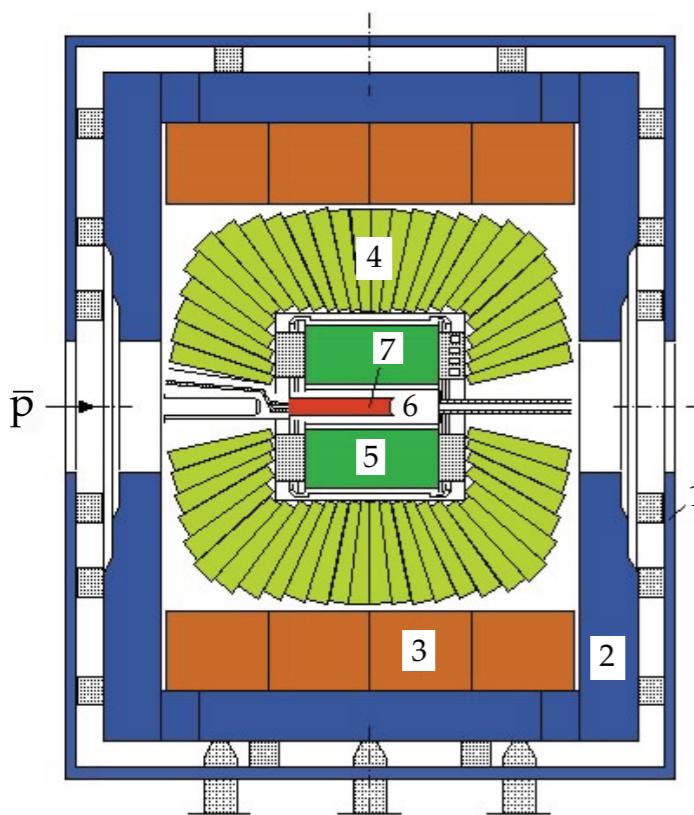
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supernumerary tensor meson

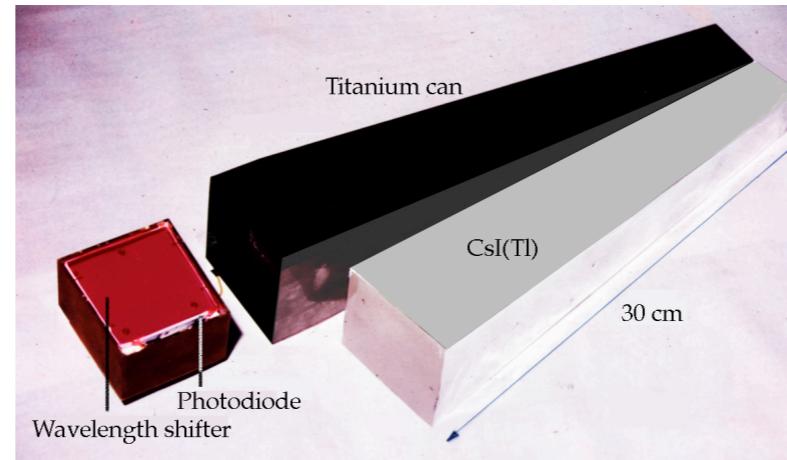
$$\bar{p}p \rightarrow 2^{++} (\text{baryonium}) \pi^0 ?$$

Crystal Barrel

Annihilation at **rest** in liquid, but with **multiple** photon detection ($\leq 10\gamma$)



- 15 kGauss
- 1380 CsI (Tl) crystals ($97\% \times 4\pi$)



- Jet drift chamber for charged products



$\text{CO}_2/\text{isobutane}$

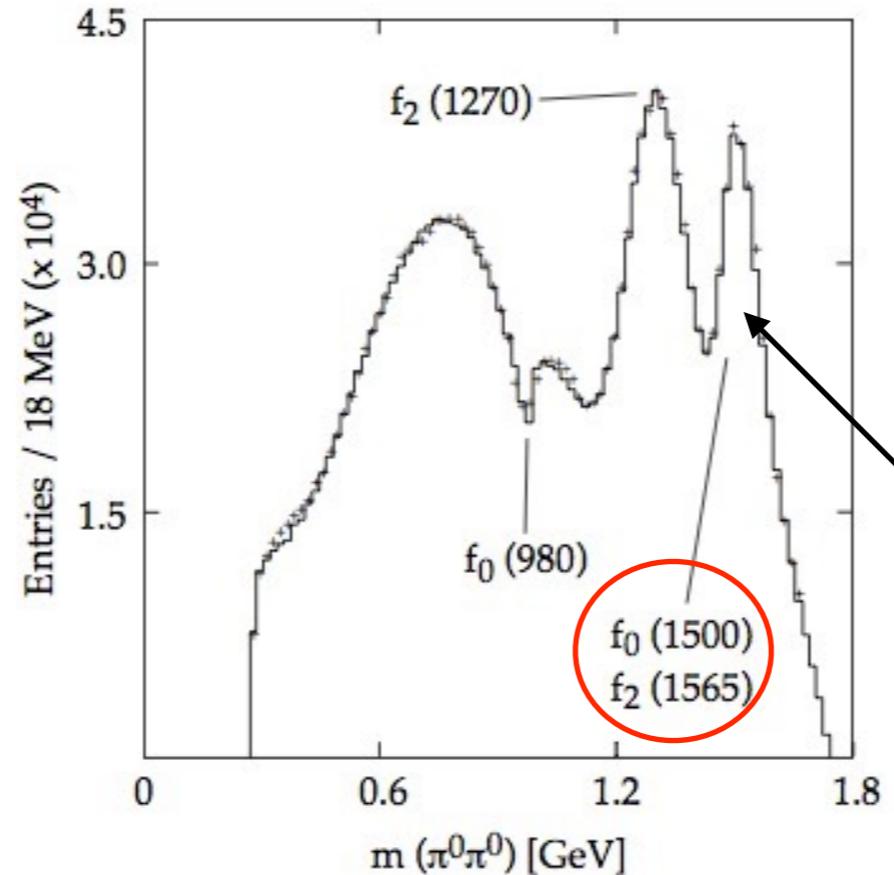
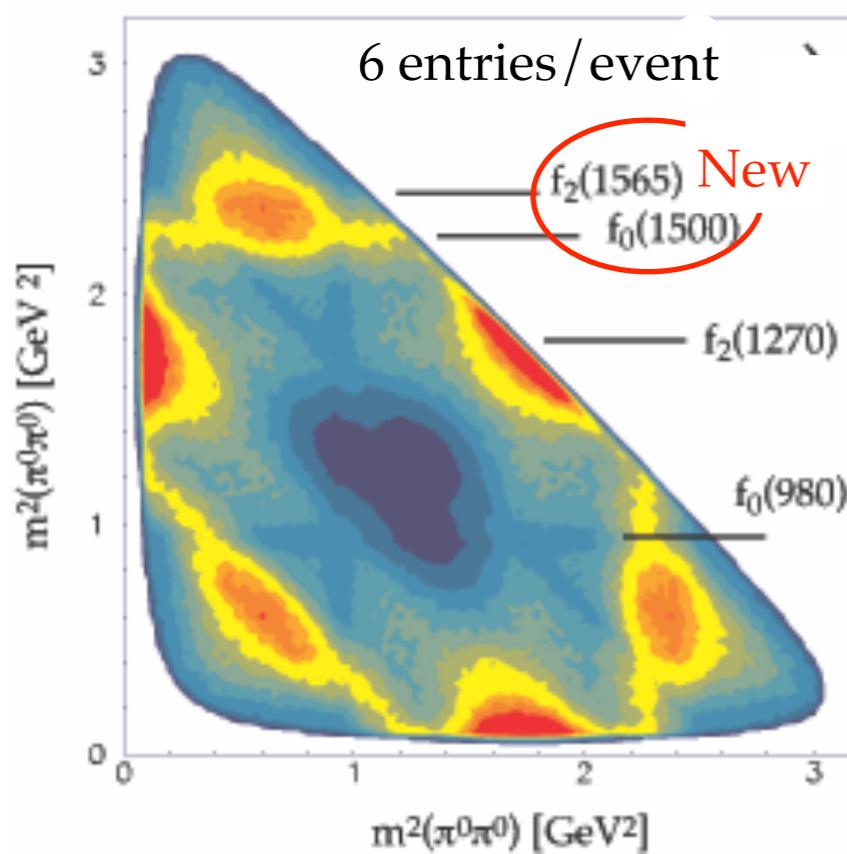
- Emphasis on meson spectroscopy: new mesons discovered:
 $f_0(1370)$, $\pi_1(1400)$, $\eta(1410)$, $a_0(1450)$, $f_0(1500)$, $\eta_2(1645)$

with large data samples -> T-matrix analyses

- **Annihilation** into 2 and 3 mesons
- Radiative annihilation

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Scalar and tensor mesons in 6γ events



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$\bar{p}p \rightarrow \pi^0\pi^0\pi^0$ at rest

$f_0(1500)$ is a serious glueball candidate

100'000 events!

Terra incognita before LEAR: 60% of all annihilations have more than 1 π^0

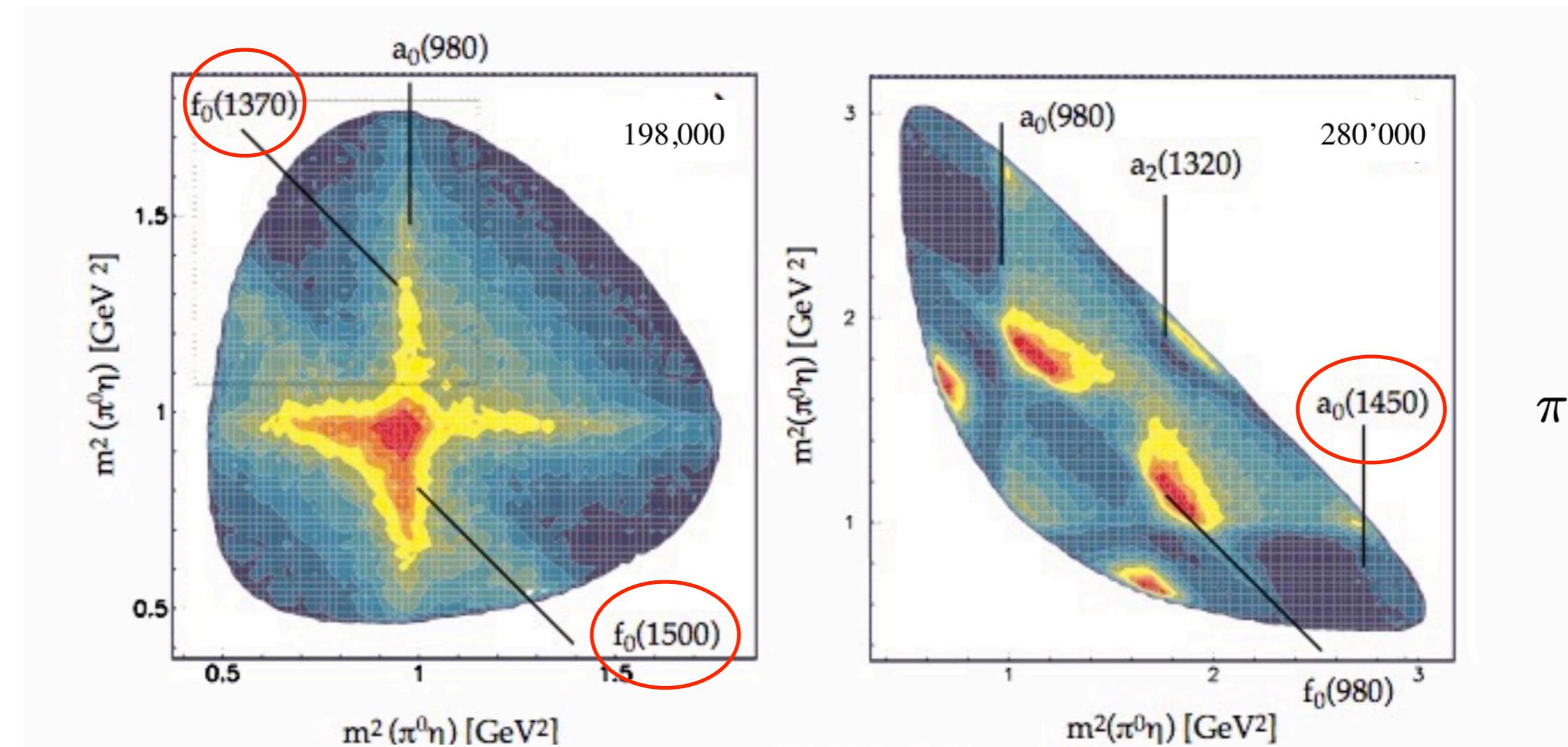
- no background from $\rho^0 \not\rightarrow \pi^0\pi^0$
- C-parity conservation and neutral (non strange) mesons have a well defined C-parity
e.g. $C(\pi^0) = +1$ while $C(\pi^\pm)$ is not defined



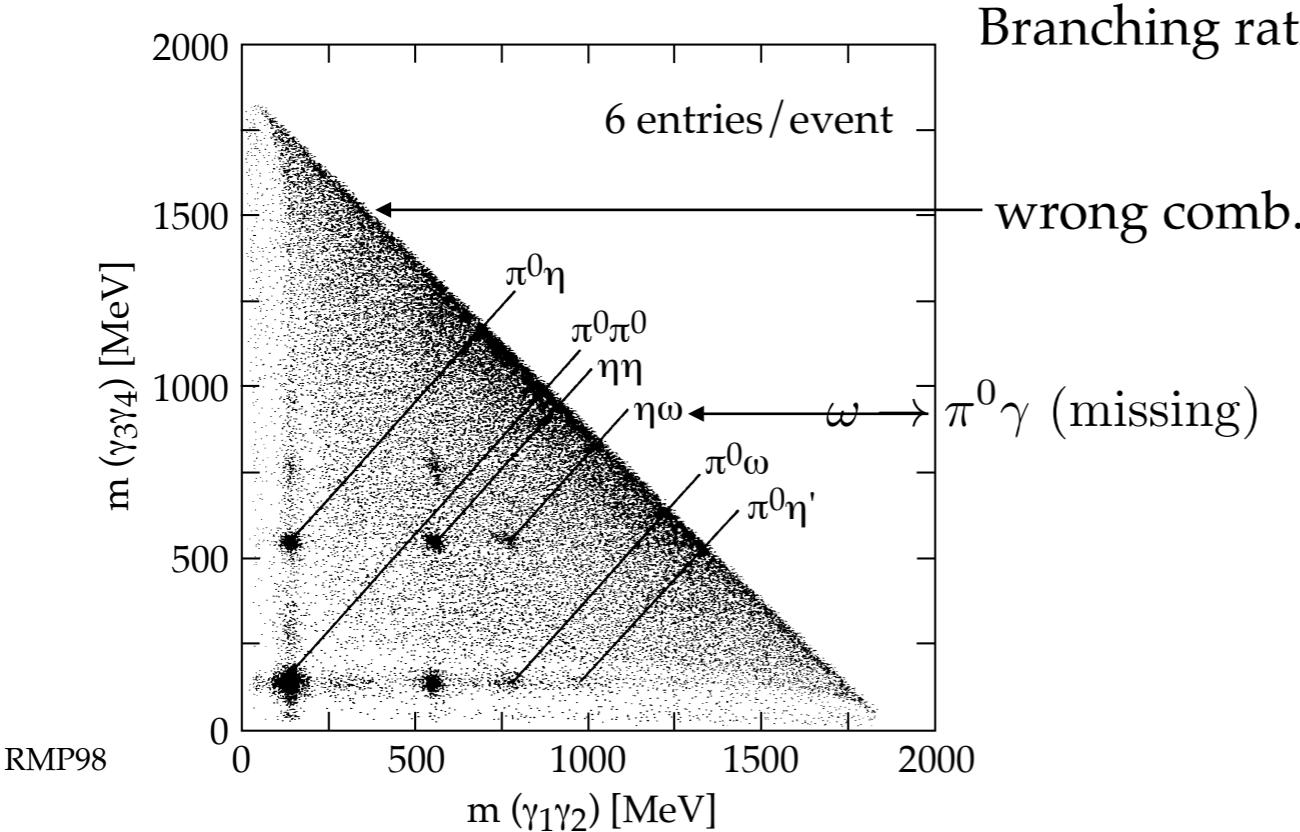
Fewer partial waves, simpler analysis

more 6γ events...

$\pi^0\eta\eta$



Annihilation at rest into two neutral mesons (4γ , Crystal Barrel)



Branching ratios: $10^{-3} - 10^{-4}$

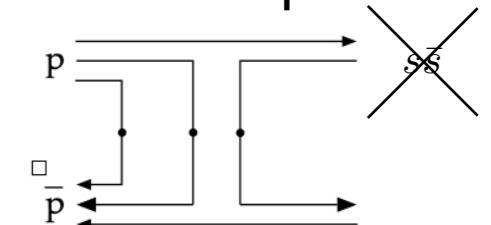
$$\eta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(u\bar{u} + d\bar{d}) \sin(\theta_i - \theta_P) - s\bar{s} \cos(\theta_i - \theta_P)$$

$$\eta' = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(u\bar{u} + d\bar{d}) \cos(\theta_i - \theta_P) + s\bar{s} \sin(\theta_i - \theta_P)$$

ideal mixing angle

$$\theta_i = 35.3^\circ$$

no $s\bar{s}$ in the $\bar{p}p$ system:



θ_P : pseudoscalar mixing angle

From K, π, η, η' masses: $\theta_P = -24.5^\circ$ (linear), -11.3° (quadratic mass formula)

Prediction, for example:

$$\frac{B(\eta\eta)}{B(\eta\eta')} = \frac{(\sin^2 \Delta)^2}{2(\sin \Delta \cos \Delta)^2} = \frac{\tan^2 \Delta}{2}$$

(apart from phase space factors)

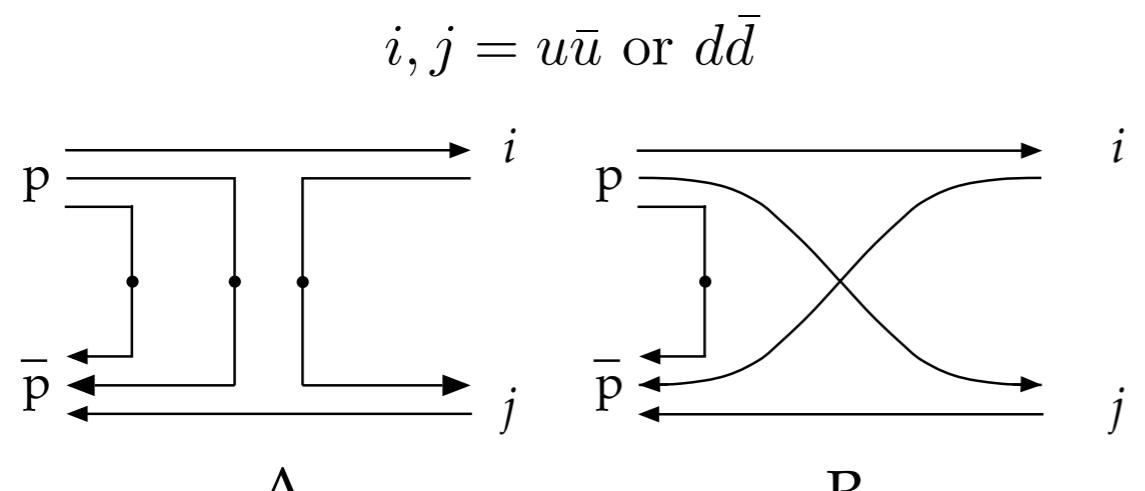
Ge85

Calculate the pseudoscalar mixing angle:

Ratio	Prediction	θ_p (deg)
$\pi^0\eta/\pi^0\eta'$	$\tan^2(\theta_i - \theta_p)$	-18.1 \pm 1.6
$\eta\eta/\eta\eta'$	$\frac{1}{2}\tan^2(\theta_i - \theta_p)$	-17.7 \pm 1.9
$\omega\eta/\omega\eta'$	$\tan^2(\theta_i - \theta_p)$	-21.1 \pm 1.5
$\eta\rho^0/\eta'\rho^0$	$\tan^2(\theta_i - \theta_p)$	-25.4 \pm 5.0 2.9

as expected,
consistent results

Sign of quark dynamics



Annihilation

no $u\bar{u}, d\bar{d}$

Rearrangement

no $d\bar{d}, d\bar{d}$

If A dominates: less consistent contribution from R

e.g.

	θ_P (deg)
$\eta\rho^0/\omega\pi^0$	$\sin^2(\theta_i - \theta_p)$ -11.9 \pm 3.2
$\eta'\rho^0/\omega\pi^0$	$\cos^2(\theta_i - \theta_p)$ -30.5 \pm 3.5
$\eta\eta/\pi^0\pi^0$	$\sin^4(\theta_i - \theta_p)$ -6.2 \pm 0.6

$\rho^0\rho^0 = \omega\omega$ if A dominates

$$\rho^0\rho^0 = (1.2 \pm 1.2) \times 10^{-3}$$

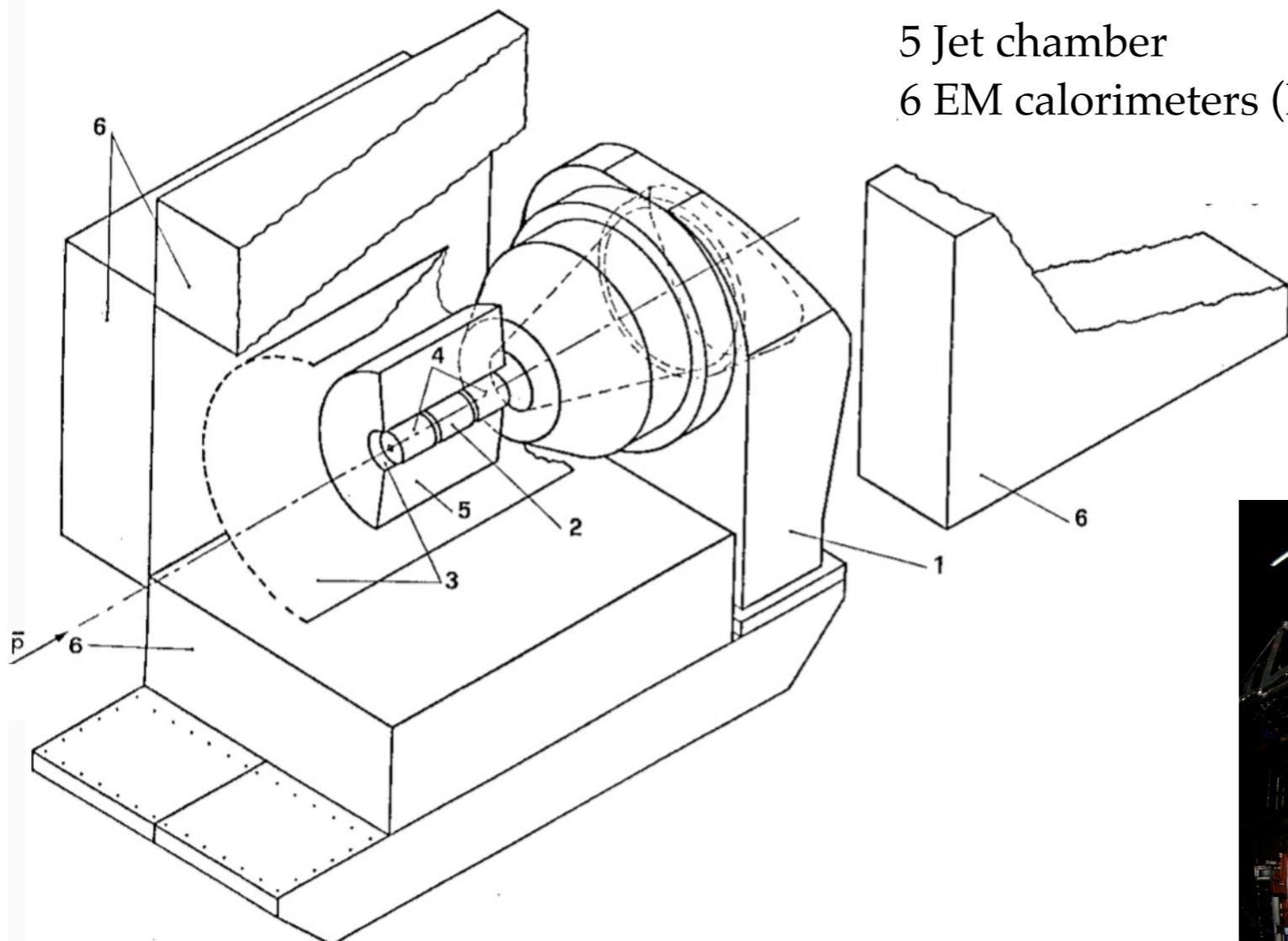
$$\omega\omega = (3.32 \pm 0.34) \times 10^{-2}$$

contribution from R

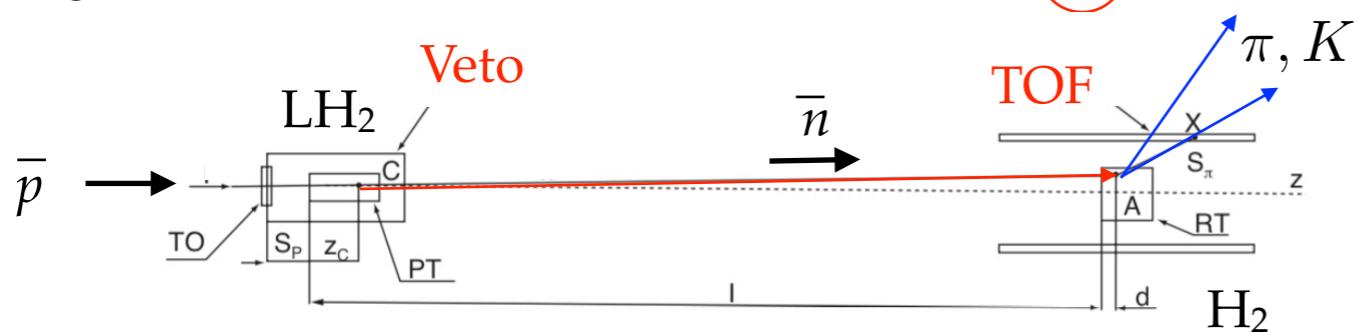
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- 1 Open Axial Field Magnet (ISR) 6 kG @ center
 3 TOF scintillators
 5 Jet chamber
 6 EM calorimeters (Pb-streamer tubes sandwich)

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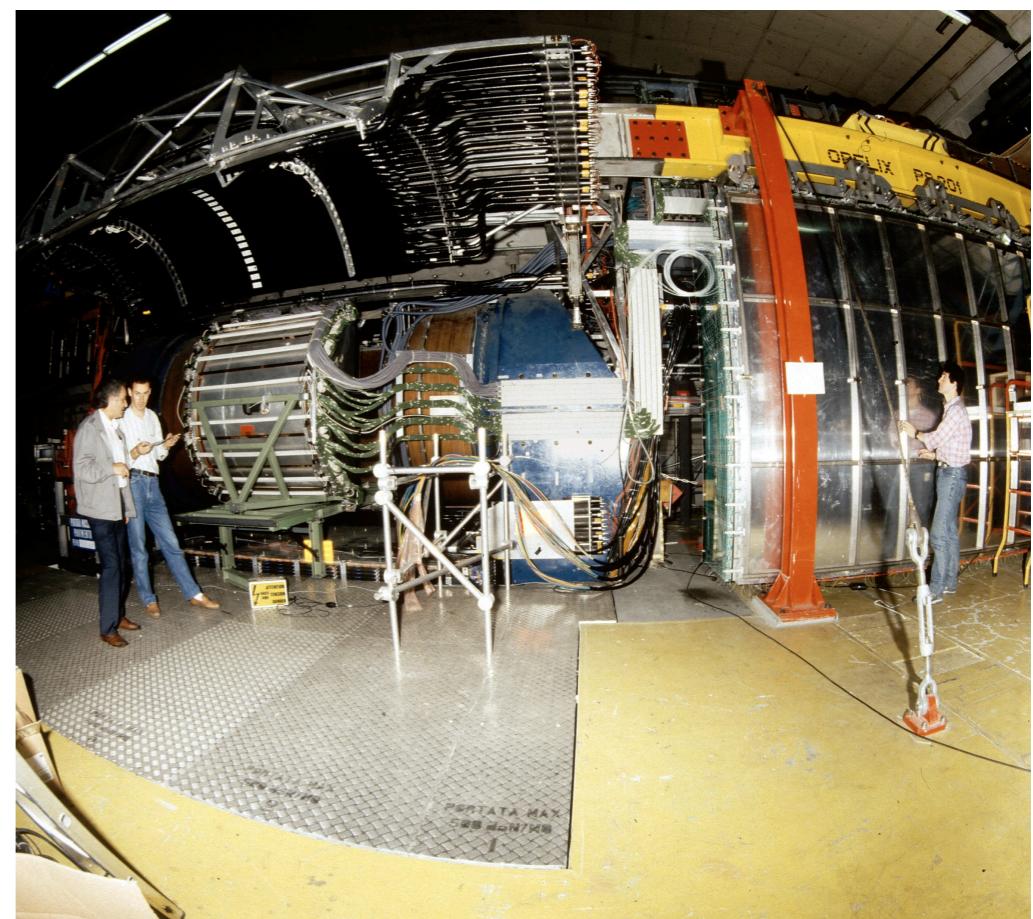


Scattering and annihilation cross sections $\bar{p}p$ and $\bar{n}p$

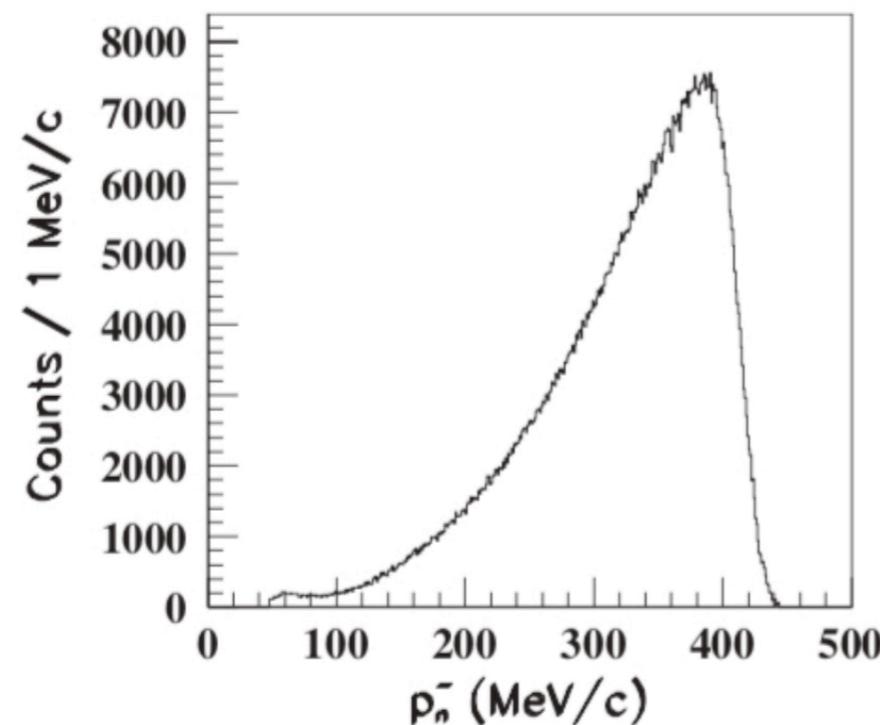


$\bar{p}p \rightarrow \bar{n}n$ 412 MeV/c antiprotons
 (minimum is 98 MeV/c)

Antineutron beam < 400 MeV/c



$p\bar{n}$ distribution



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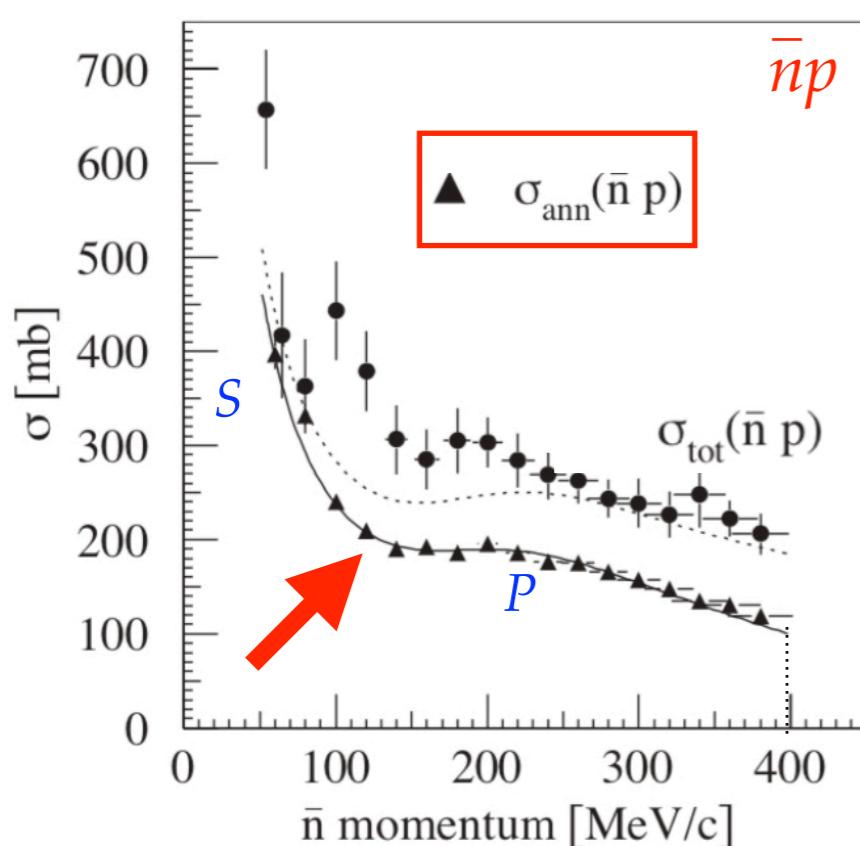
Advantages of low energy \bar{n} :

- no Coulomb interaction (for cross sections)
- no energy loss, no range straggling
- $\bar{n}p$ is isospin 1 only (fewer partial waves),
- no spectator compared to $\bar{p}n$ in \bar{p} -deuterium

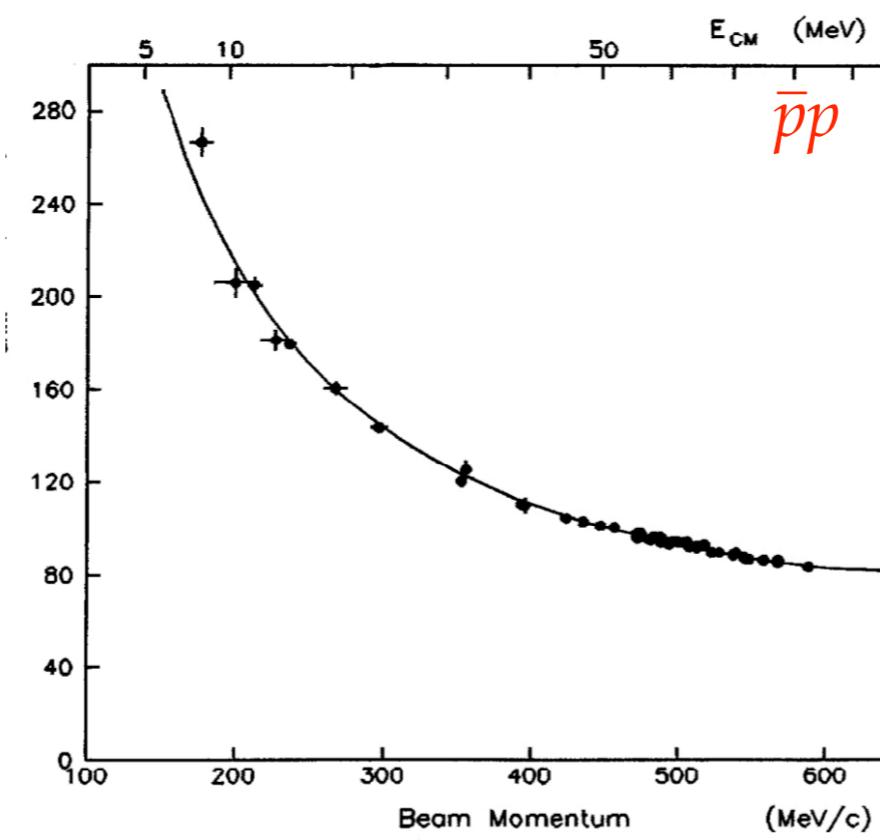
Disadvantages:

- uncertainty in the incident \bar{n} (E) flux
- low flux ($\sim 40 \bar{n}/10^6 \bar{p}$)

Annihilation cross sections



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- no resonances
- P -wave strong (attraction)
- $\sigma(\bar{n}p) \simeq \sigma(\bar{p}p)$

$\sigma(\bar{n}p) < \sigma(\bar{p}p)$

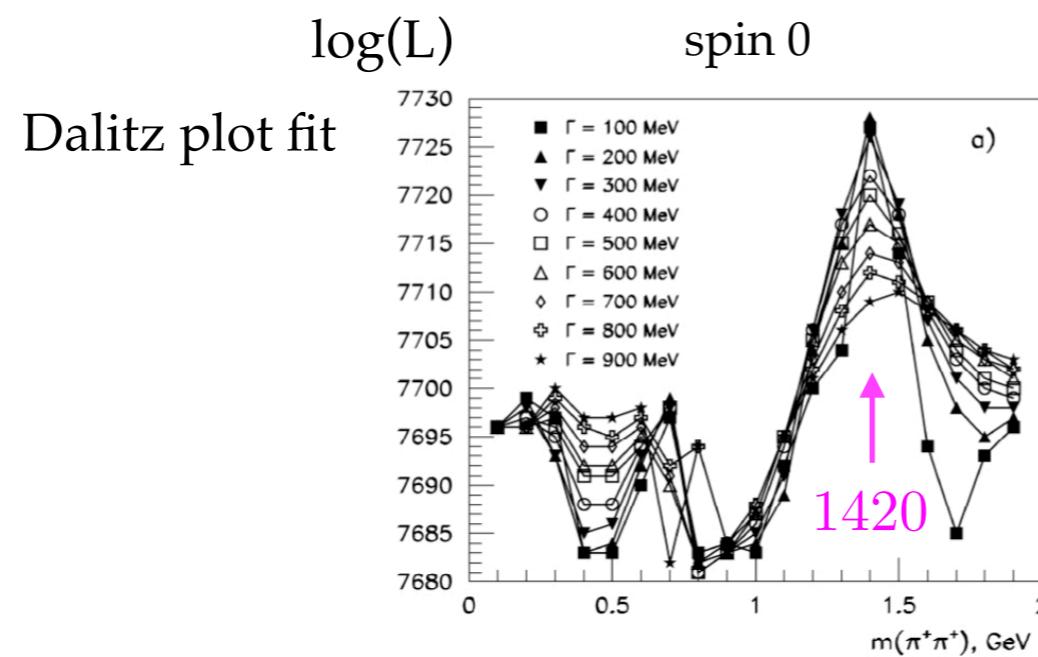
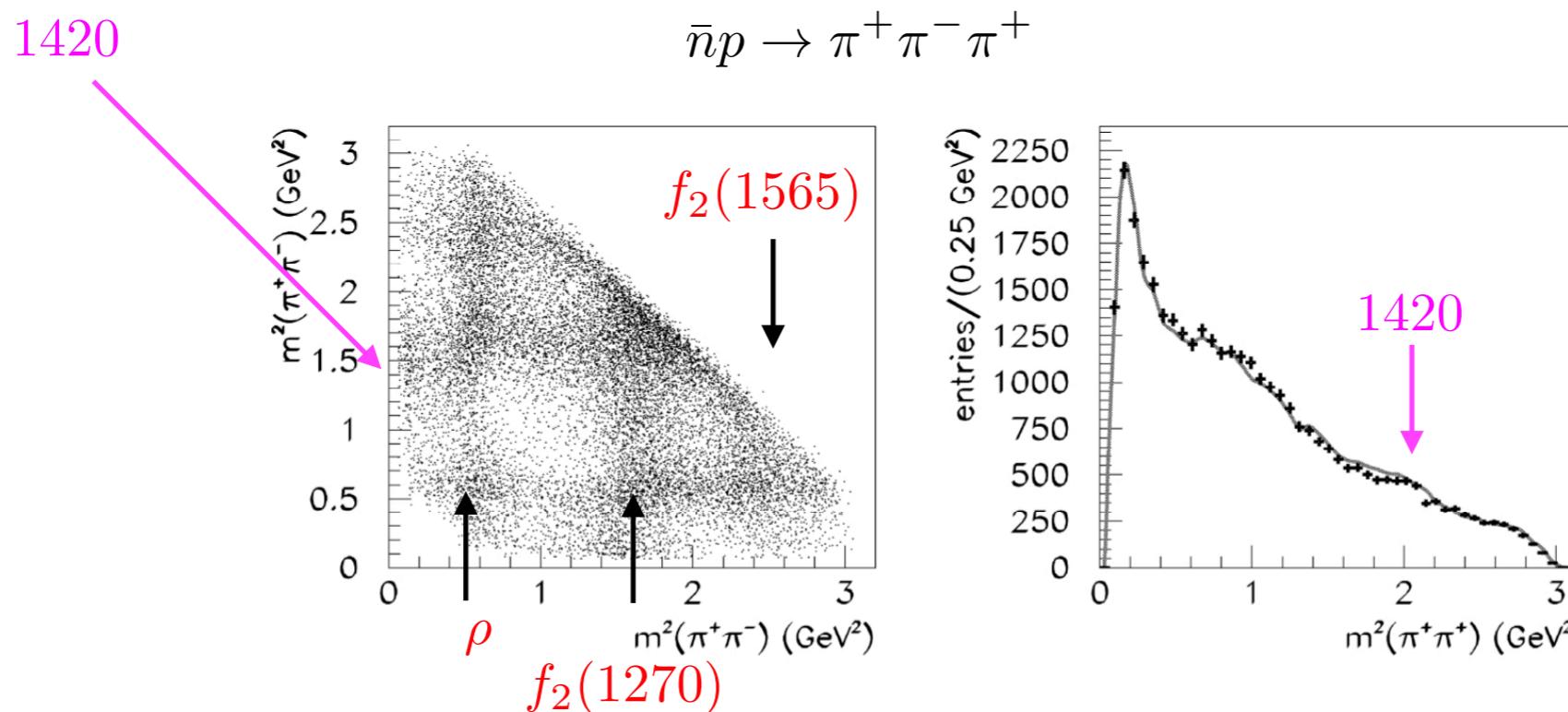
@ very low energy



strong attraction in $I = 0$

Evidence for an $I = 2$ meson (OBELIX)

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$$M = 1420 \pm 20, \Gamma = 100 \pm 10 \text{ MeV}$$

$$J^{PC}(I^G) = 0^{++}(2^+)$$

$I=2$: not a quark-antiquark state (tetraquark?)

Violation of the OZI rule

As before:

$$\phi = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(u\bar{u} + d\bar{d}) \sin(\theta_i - \theta_V) - s\bar{s} \cos(\theta_i - \theta_V)$$

$$\omega = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(u\bar{u} + d\bar{d}) \cos(\theta_i - \theta_V) + s\bar{s} \sin(\theta_i - \theta_V)$$

θ_V : vector mixing angle

From K^*, ρ, ω, ϕ masses: 36.5° (linear) 39.2° (quadratic mass formula)

$$\theta_i = 35.3^\circ$$



decoupling

$$\phi \simeq -s\bar{s} \quad \omega \simeq \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(d\bar{d} + u\bar{u})$$

Assuming no $s\bar{s}$ in the nucleon: OZI rule suppresses ϕ production

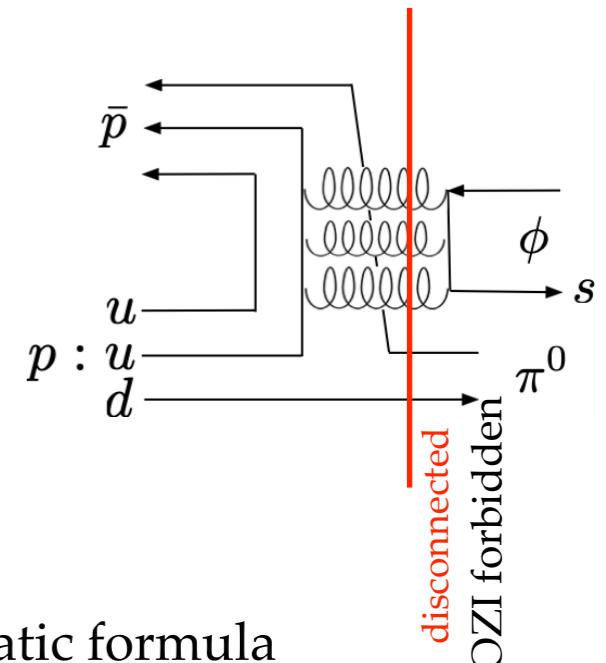
e.g. $\phi\pi^0$

Apart from phase space factors

$$\frac{B(\phi X)}{B(\omega X)} = \tan^2(\theta_V - \theta_i) = 5 \times 10^{-3} \quad \text{quadratic formula}$$

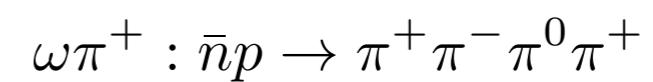
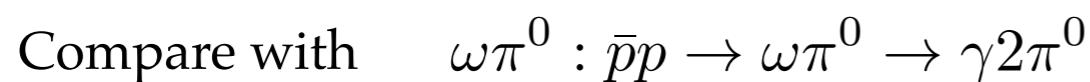
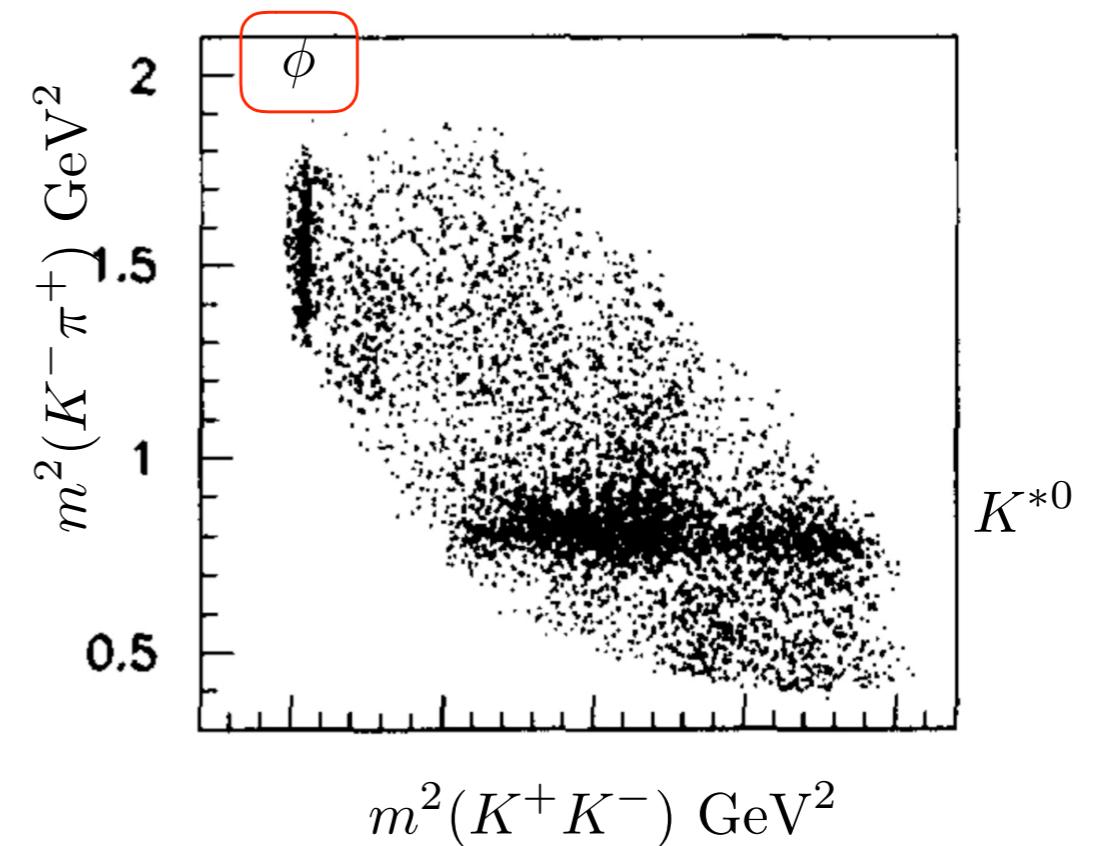
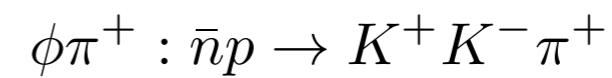
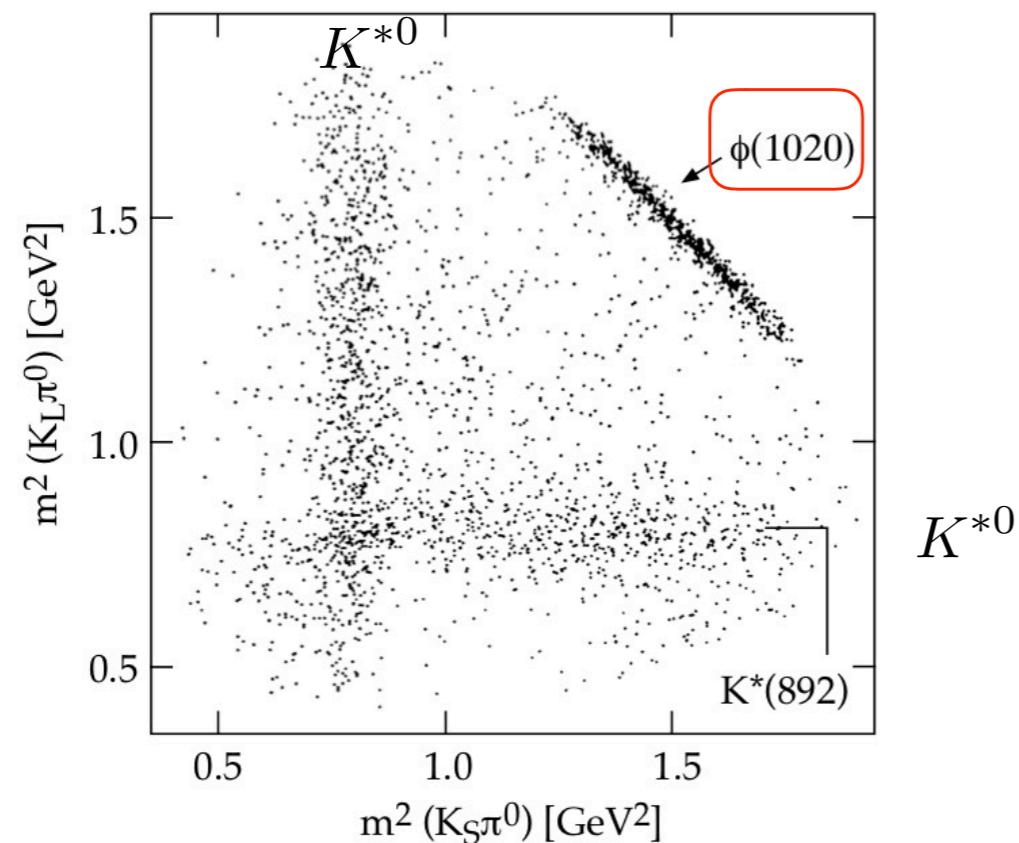
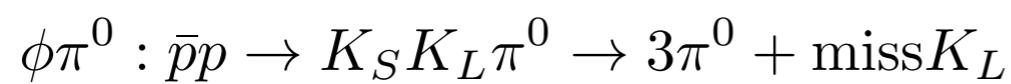
e.g. $\omega\pi^0$

(even smaller with linear formula)

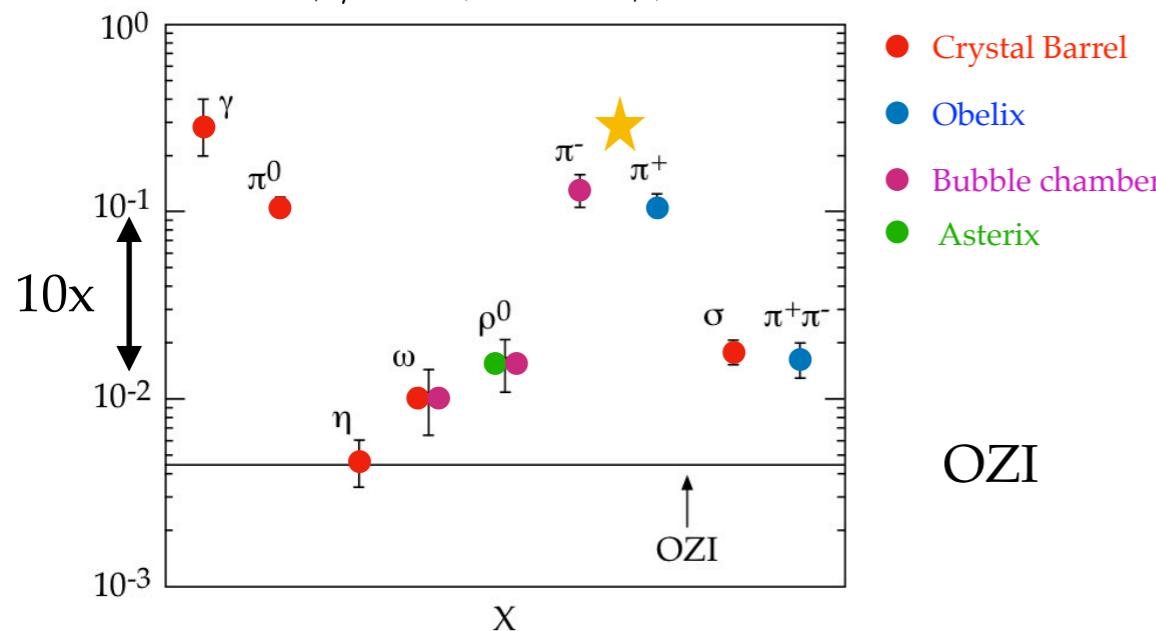


Crystal Barrel @ rest

OBELIX, \bar{n} momentum $< 405 \text{ MeV}/c$



$X\phi/X\omega, X = \gamma, \pi^0\dots$



Very large OZI violation at rest with almost any X in liquid H_2 (and low energy \bar{p}, \bar{n}) ★

RMP98

Very large $\gamma\phi$

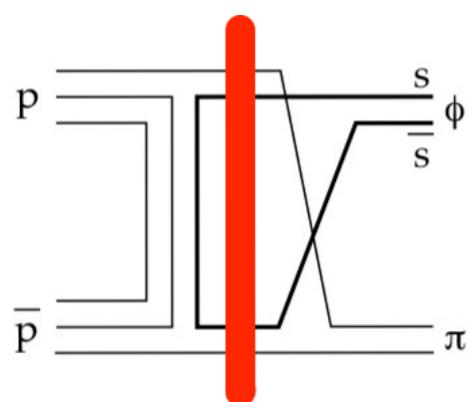
Lo94

OZI

Possible explanations: for example for $\phi\pi$ (3S_1 $\bar{p}p$) 1^{--}

① $sq\bar{s}\bar{q}$ tetraquark states?

DoFi89



close to $\bar{N}\bar{N}$ threshold, 1^{--} candidates near $2m_p\dots$:

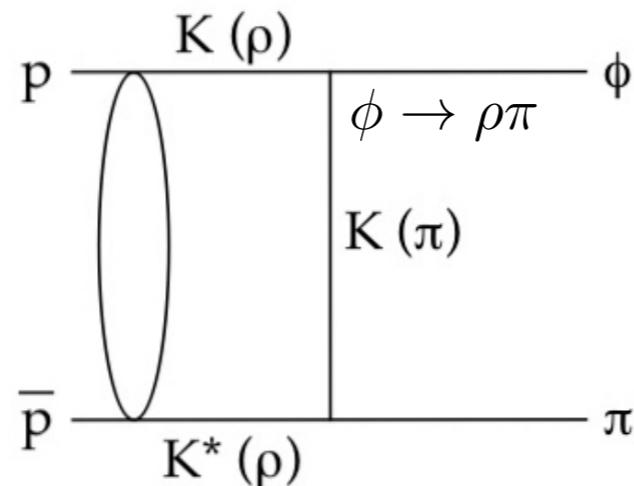
e.g. $C(1480)$ in $\pi^-p \rightarrow Cn, C \rightarrow \phi\pi^0$ Serpukhov, $\omega\pi^0$ not seen

Bi87

or $\phi(2170) \rightarrow \phi\pi\pi$ well established meson

No violation of OZI rule

② Rescattering



Constructive interference between
 $K^*\bar{K}$ and $\rho\rho$ → large $\phi\pi$

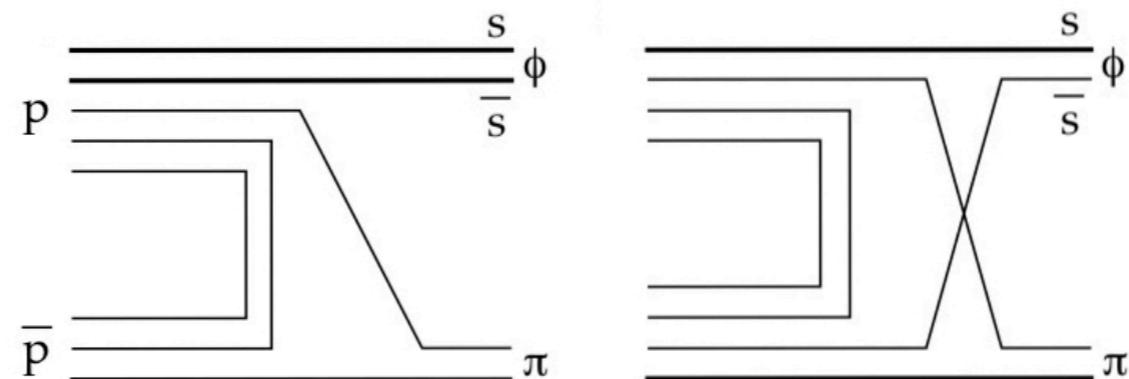
Go96

③ Strange sea quarks in the nucleon:

Deep inelastic scattering with muons: $s\bar{s}$ spins parallel and opposite to nucleon spin

EI95

$s\bar{s}$ spins parallel opposite to $p\bar{p}$ 3S_1 (as needed for the spin 1 ϕ)



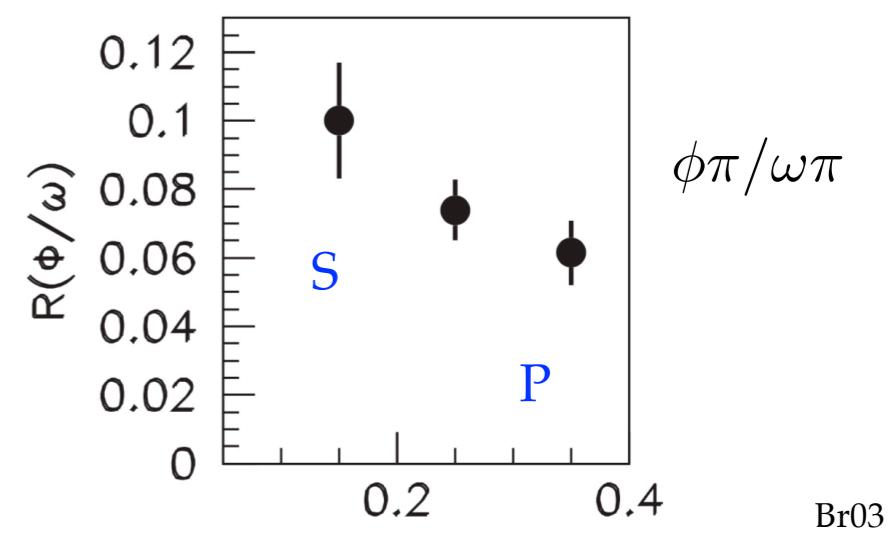
wavefunction does not match

OK

Antineutrons (OBELIX)

- Should be strong in S-wave,
weak in P-wave (spin singlet ${}^1P_1 \rightarrow \phi\pi$)

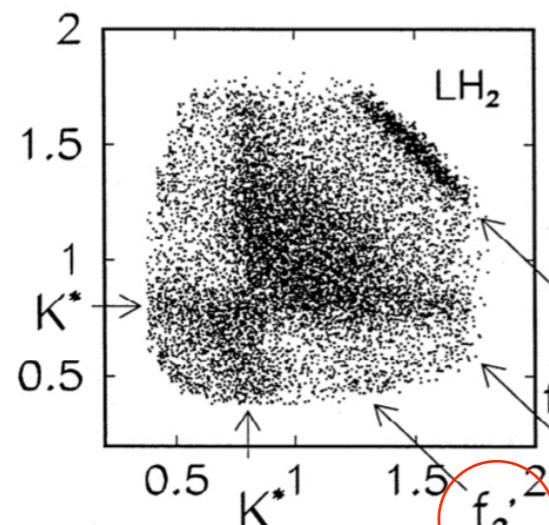
Yes!



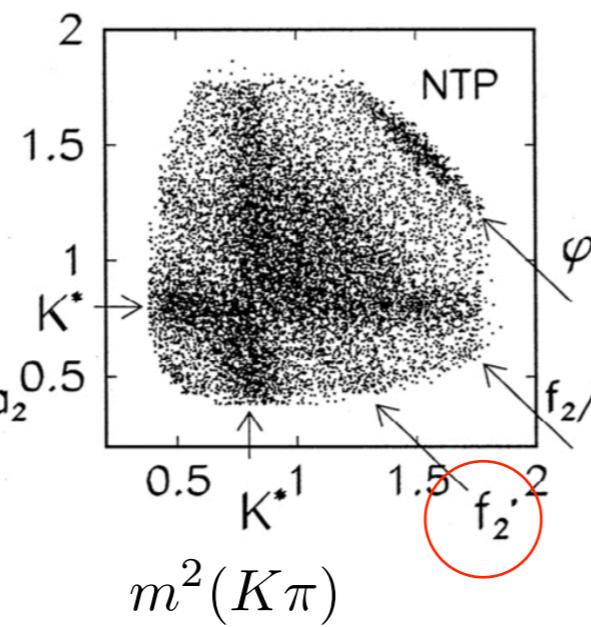
- $\underbrace{f'_2(1525)\pi^0}_{J=2}$ should be too **strong in P-wave** compared to $\underbrace{f_2(1270)\pi^0}_{u\bar{u} + d\bar{d}}$ (spin triplet $s\bar{s}$)

$\bar{p}p \rightarrow K^+ K^- \pi^0$ OBELIX at rest

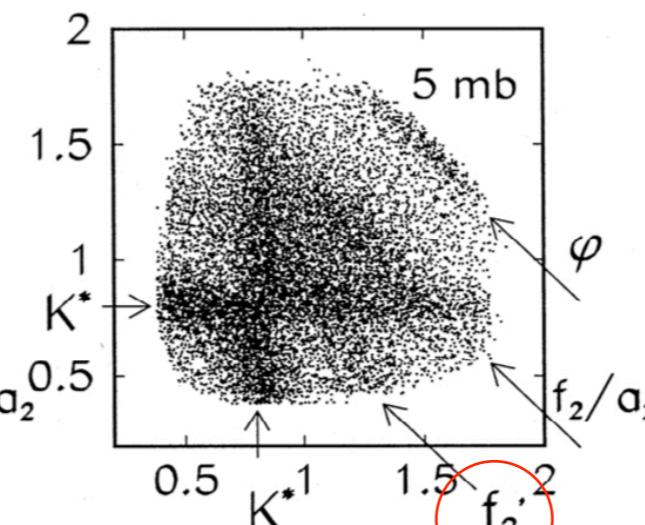
from S waves



NTP



from P waves



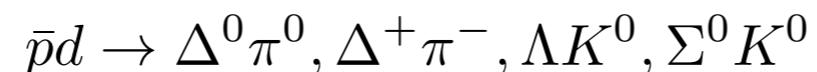
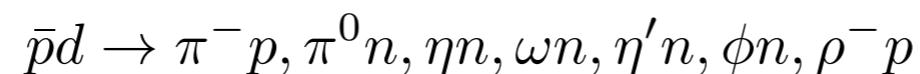
ϕ decreases while
 $f_2'(1525)$ increases

$$\frac{f'_2\pi^0}{f_2\pi^0} = 0.149 \pm 0.020$$

from P-waves
expect 0.016!

Pontecorvo (1956) reactions

Unusual, involve > 1 nucleon

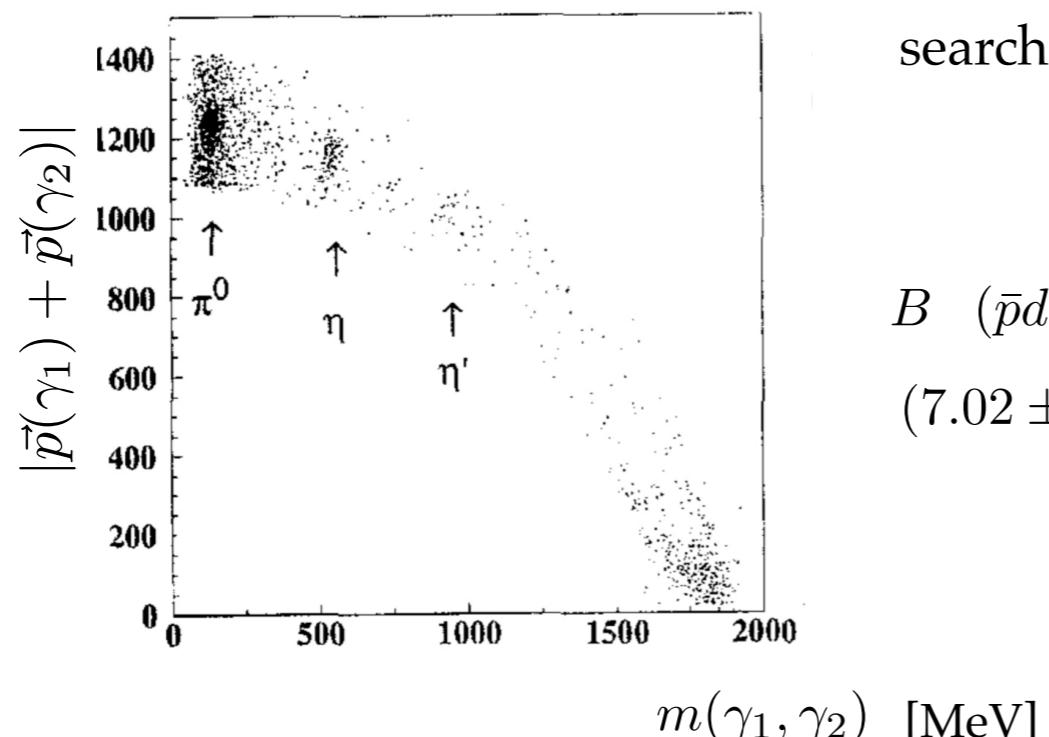


Obtained at LEAR, typical rates 10^{-6} to 10^{-5}

Be94, Ab99, Am95,
Ab94, Go02

Example: (1) $\bar{p}d \rightarrow \pi^0 n, \eta n, \eta' n \rightarrow 2\gamma n$ Crystal Barrel

200 MeV/c beam, LD₂ target, 4 million 0-prong trigger (rare reaction!), neutron not detected



search in min. bias and normalize to $\bar{p}d \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0 n$

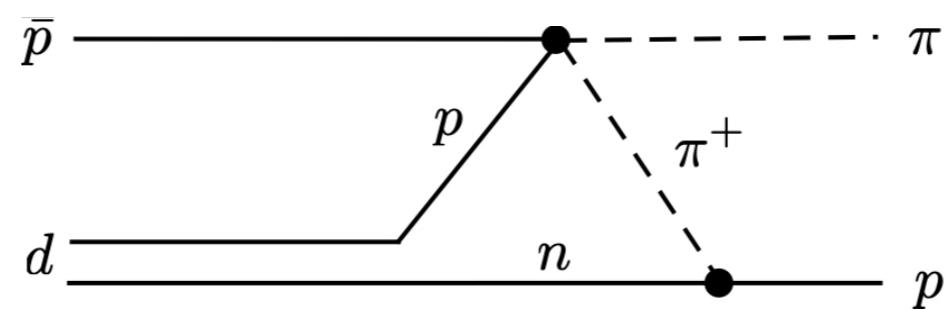
$$B(\bar{p}d \rightarrow \pi^0 n) = (7.02 \pm 0.72) \times 10^{-6}$$



$$B(\bar{p}d \rightarrow \pi^- p) = (1.41 \pm 0.14) \times 10^{-5}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{p}d \rightarrow \eta n & (3.19 \pm 0.48) \times 10^{-6} \\ \bar{p}d \rightarrow \eta' n & (8.2 \pm 3.4) \times 10^{-6} \end{aligned}$$

Rescattering



Predictions uncertain: $4 - 12 \times 10^{-5}$

- depending on $N\bar{N}$ potential,
short distance uncertain
- deuteron wave function,
meson form factors $10^{-6} - 10^{-3}$

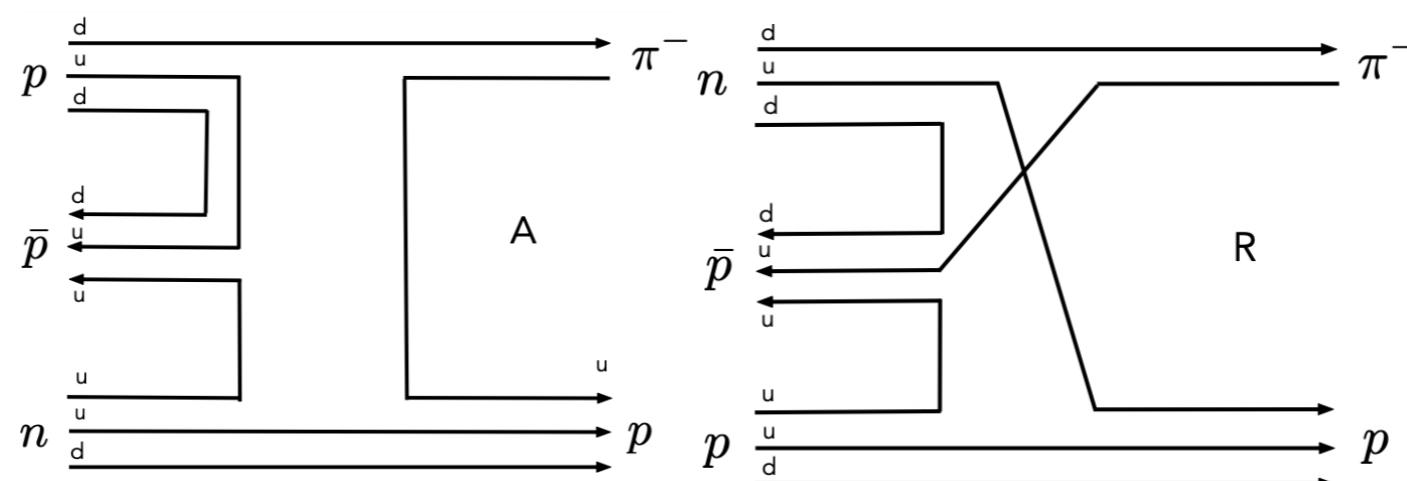
Os89

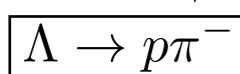
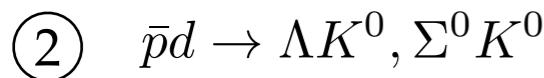
Ko89

Fireball model (see next slide)

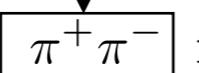
Cu84, 89

Fireball production $3\bar{q}, 6q$ bag
which decays hadronically, presumably via





$K^0 : K_S$ or K_L



not detected

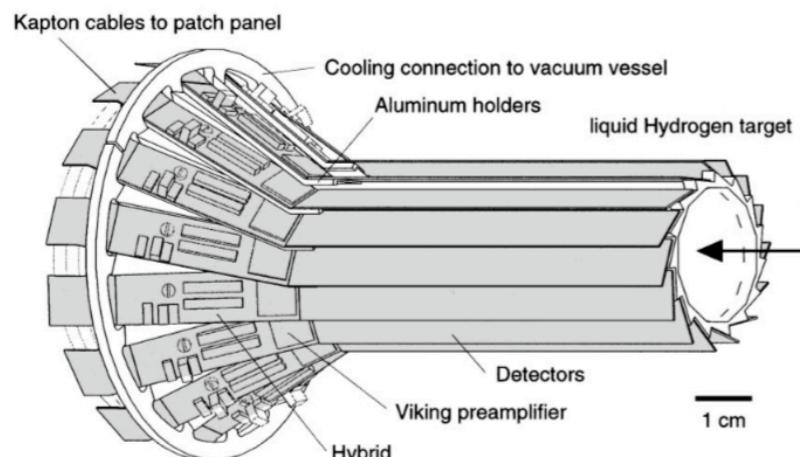
2 prongs or 4 prongs

Crystal Barrel

Between microstrips and drift chamber:

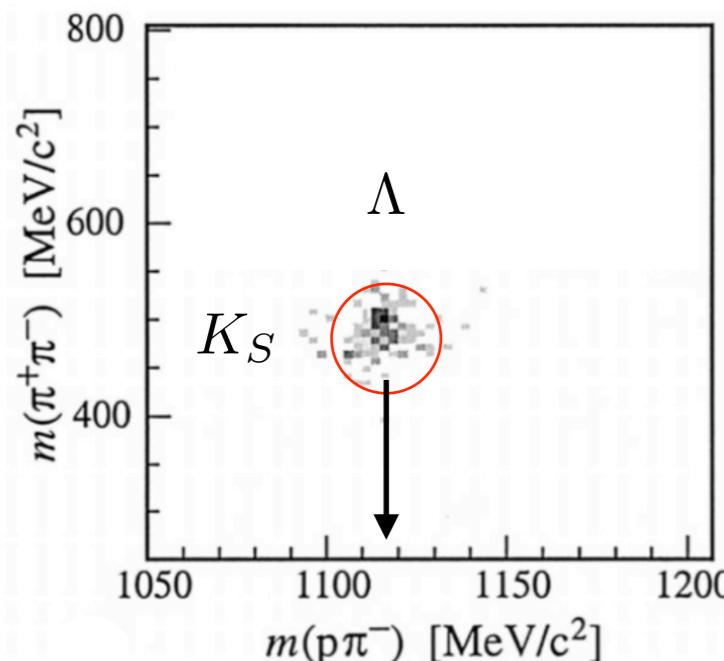
$$n_{\pm} = 0 \rightarrow 2 \text{ or } 4$$

add a microstrip detector:

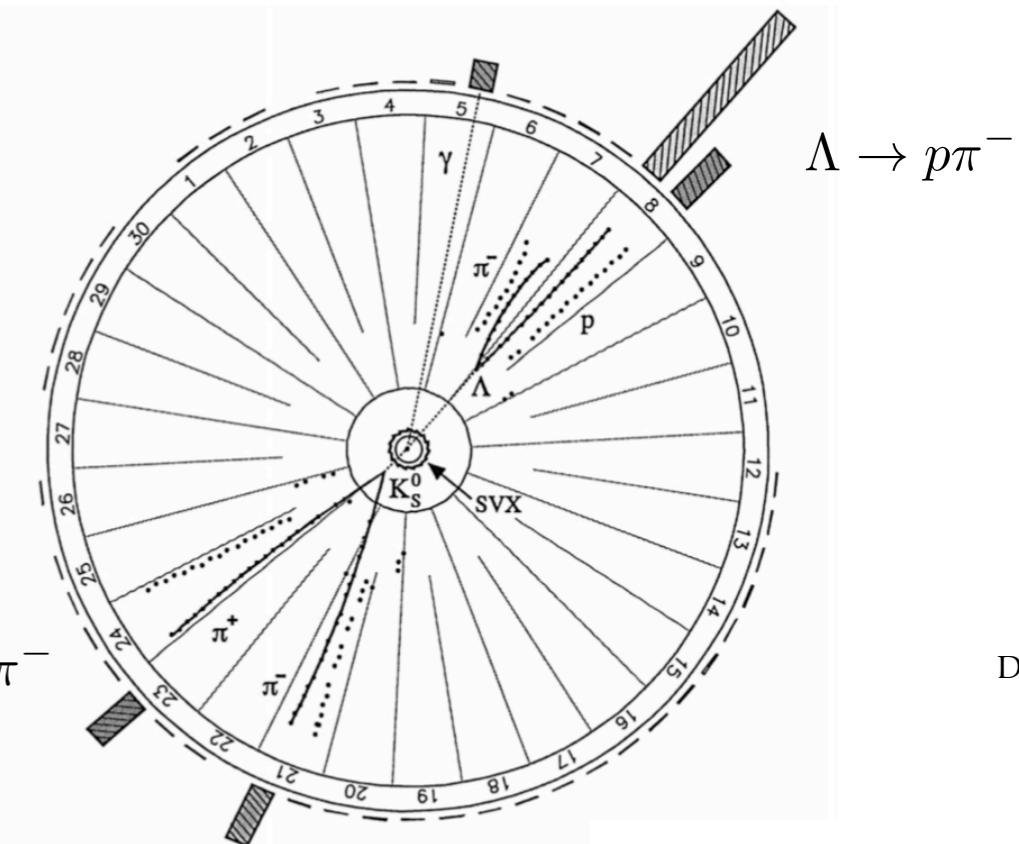
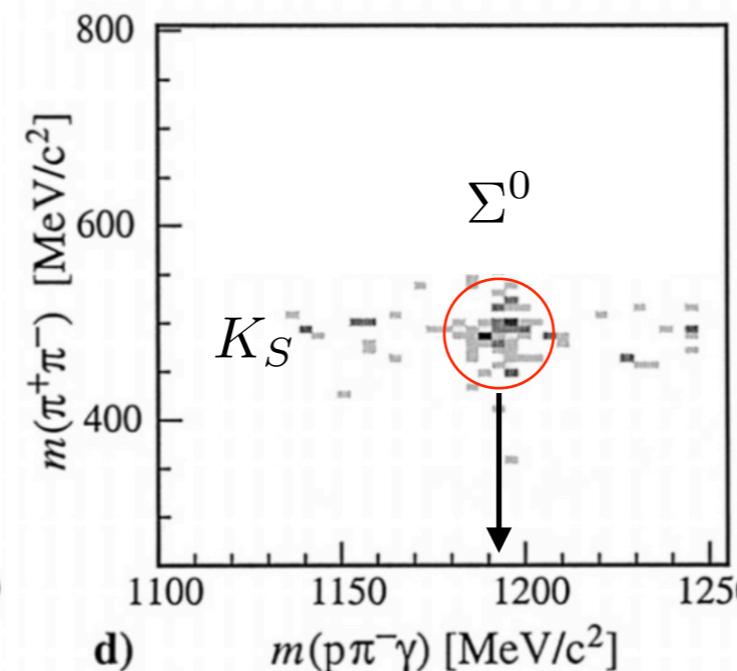


15 μ strips, pitch 50 μ m,

ΛK_S



$\Sigma^0 K_S$



Do98

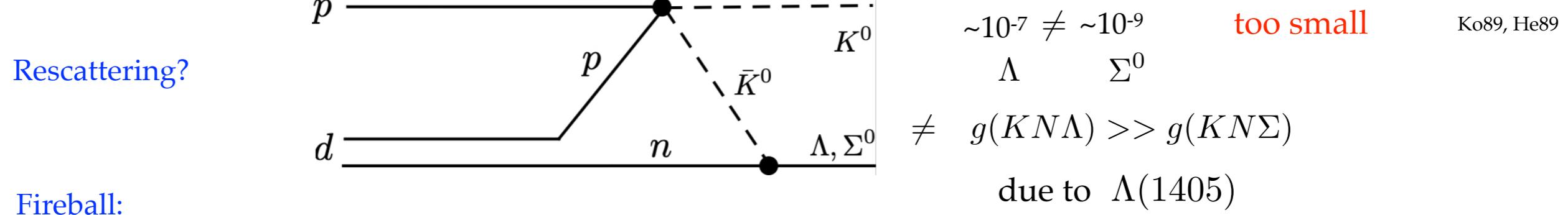
ΛK^0
 $\Sigma^0 K^0$

$$(2.35 \pm 0.45) \times 10^{-6}$$

$$(2.15 \pm 0.45) \times 10^{-6}$$

equal branching ratios

Ab99



- $\bar{p}N$: annihilation in agreement with phase space weights with annihilation branching ratios for

$$\bar{p}p \rightarrow \text{pions, kaons}$$

- $\bar{p}2N$ annihilation: rate = probability P to form fireball x phase space factor

Cu84, 89

$$B(\bar{p}d \rightarrow \pi^- p) = P \times \underbrace{4.7 \times 10^{-4}}_{\text{phase space factor}}$$



$$P = 3\%$$

then $B(\bar{p}d \rightarrow \Lambda K^0, \Sigma^0 K^0) = 3\% \times \underbrace{\text{phase space}}_{\sim 10^{-4}} (\Lambda K^0, \Sigma^0 K^0) = \boxed{3 \times 10^{-6}}$ and both channels \sim equal

Data: $(2.35 \pm 0.45) \times 10^{-6} \Lambda K^0$
 $(2.15 \pm 0.45) \times 10^{-6} \Sigma^0 K^0$

OK!

- Future check: $\bar{p}3N$ annihilation

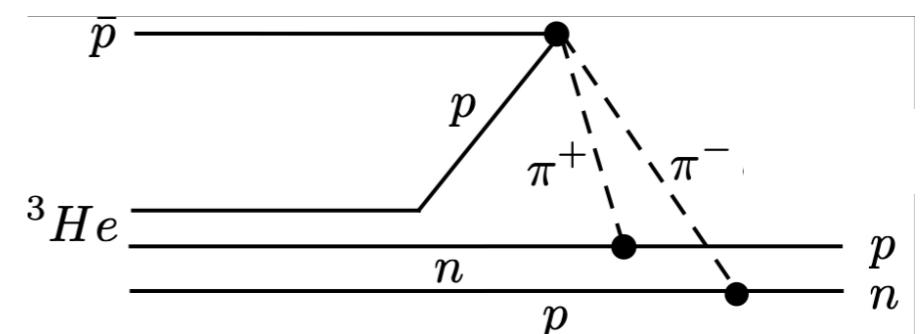
$$\bar{p}^3He \rightarrow np$$

fireball prediction: $\sim 10^{-6}$

$$\bar{n}^3He \rightarrow pp$$

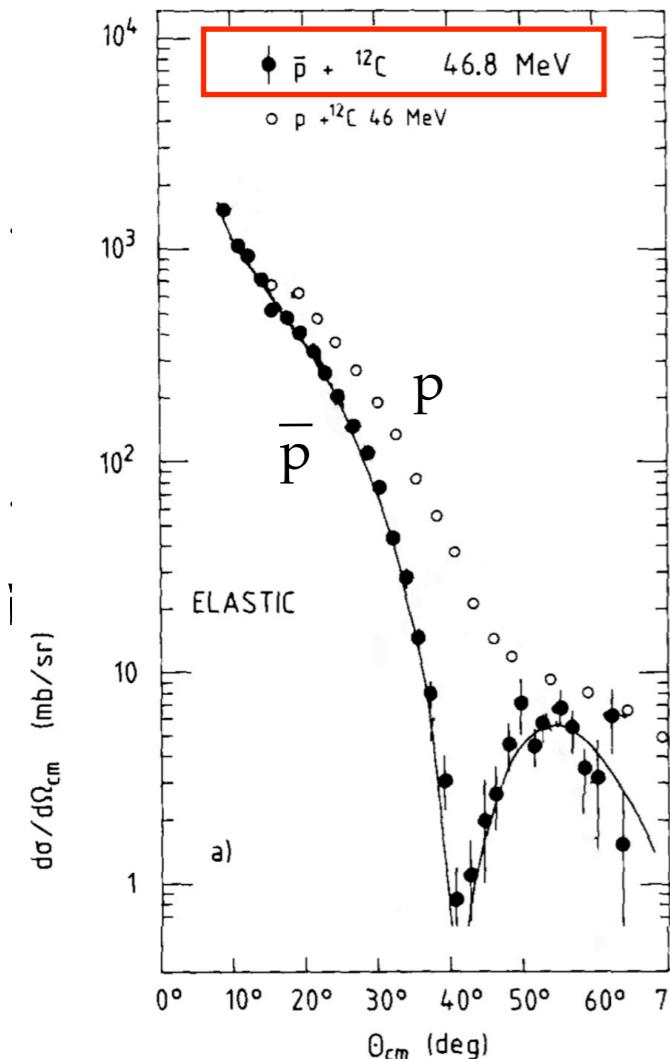
much larger than for
rescattering ($10^{-8} - 10^{-7}$)

Ko88



Antiproton annihilation on the nucleus

(Striking features from a non-expert, see review of v. Egidy Eg87)



PS184: SPESII spectrometer

Ga84

Black sphere

Annihilation successfully described by Intranuclear Cascade model (INC), Liège model

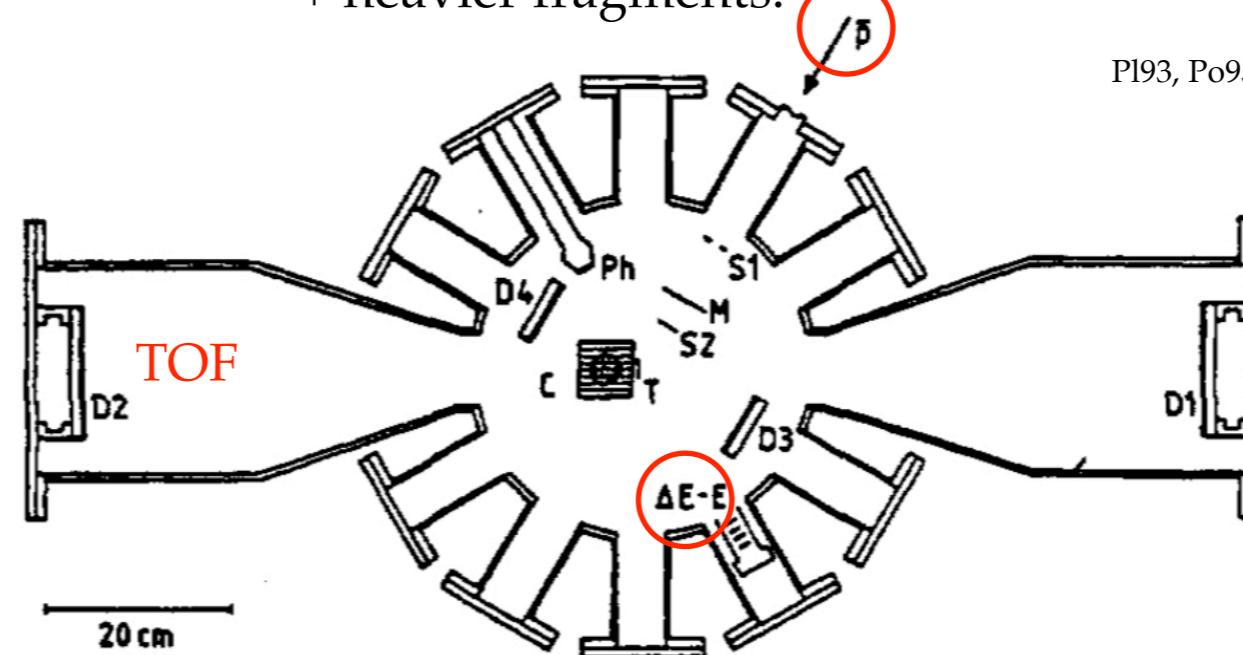
INC

- on one nucleon at the **surface** @ 10% of nuclear density, **low multiplicity**, 350 MeV/c average pion momentum
- by pion rescattering, short range (Δ resonance) localized deposit, nuclear fragments, deeper inside, **high multiplicity**
- more neutron emission than N/Z (LEAR PS203), not explained in INC

Po95

PS186, 203 $p, d, t, {}^4\text{He}, {}^3\text{He}$ from Li to U, 20 - 180 MeV
+ heavier fragments:

Pl93, Po95



- Annihilation on the surface: AgBr (emulsions), LEAR 0-500 MeV/c (PS179)

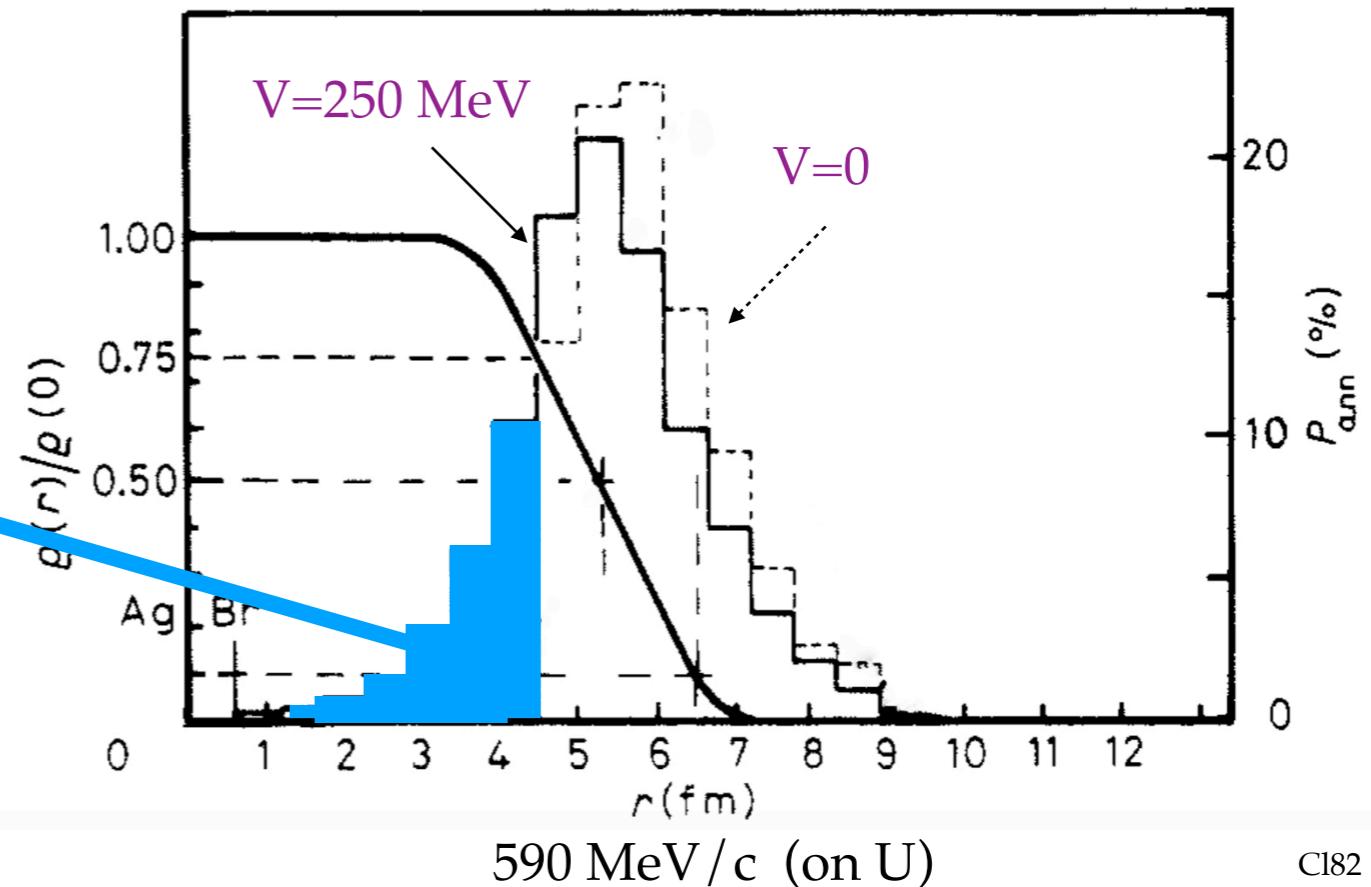
Ba86

\bar{p} momentum (MeV/c)	$(M < 10)$ (%)	$(M \geq 10)$ (%)
at rest	93 ± 1	7 ± 1
300	71 ± 5	29 ± 5
400	74 ± 4	26 ± 4
500	72 ± 4	28 ± 4

surface interior

High multiplicity from the interior

Annihilation probability:



- Evidence for a neutron halo: BNL experiment stopped antiprotons (BNL 1973)

Target in BBC, measure odd/even number of prongs

More annihilation on neutrons than expected from N/Z

Factor 6 from C to Pb

- Nothing unusual in the production of **strangeness** (such as an enhancement due to quark-gluon plasma) ~ **6.2 %** kaons at rest and 400 - 900 MeV/c (ITEP Xe BBC), INC: **6.25%** at 650 MeV/c!

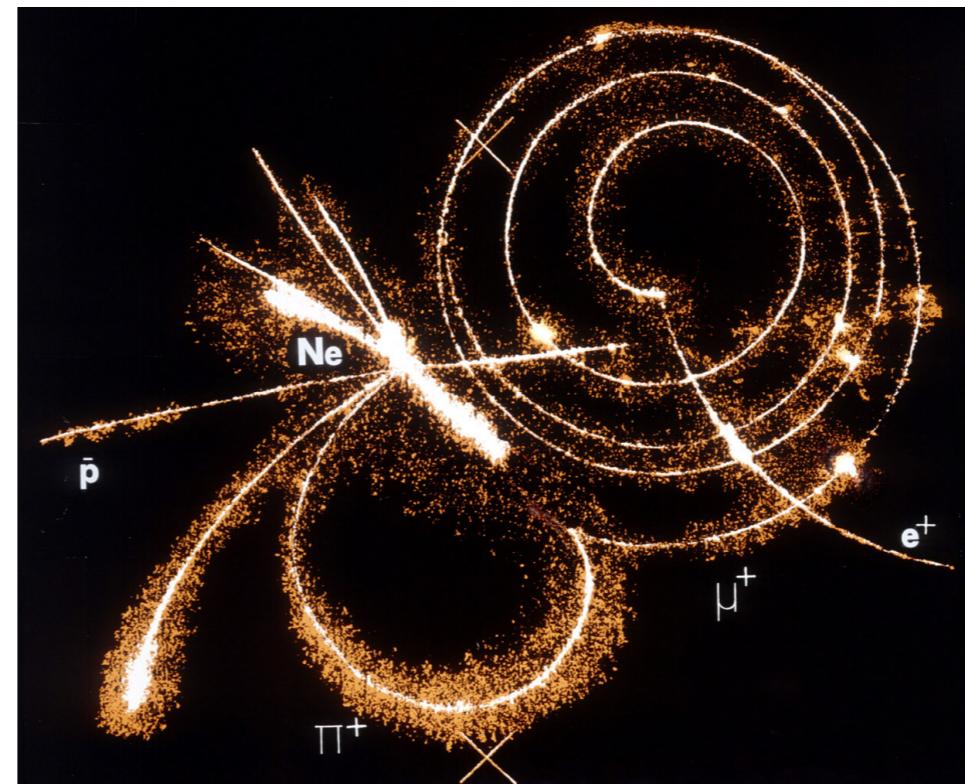
Hyperon production through e.g. $\bar{K}N \rightarrow \Lambda\pi$

Bu73

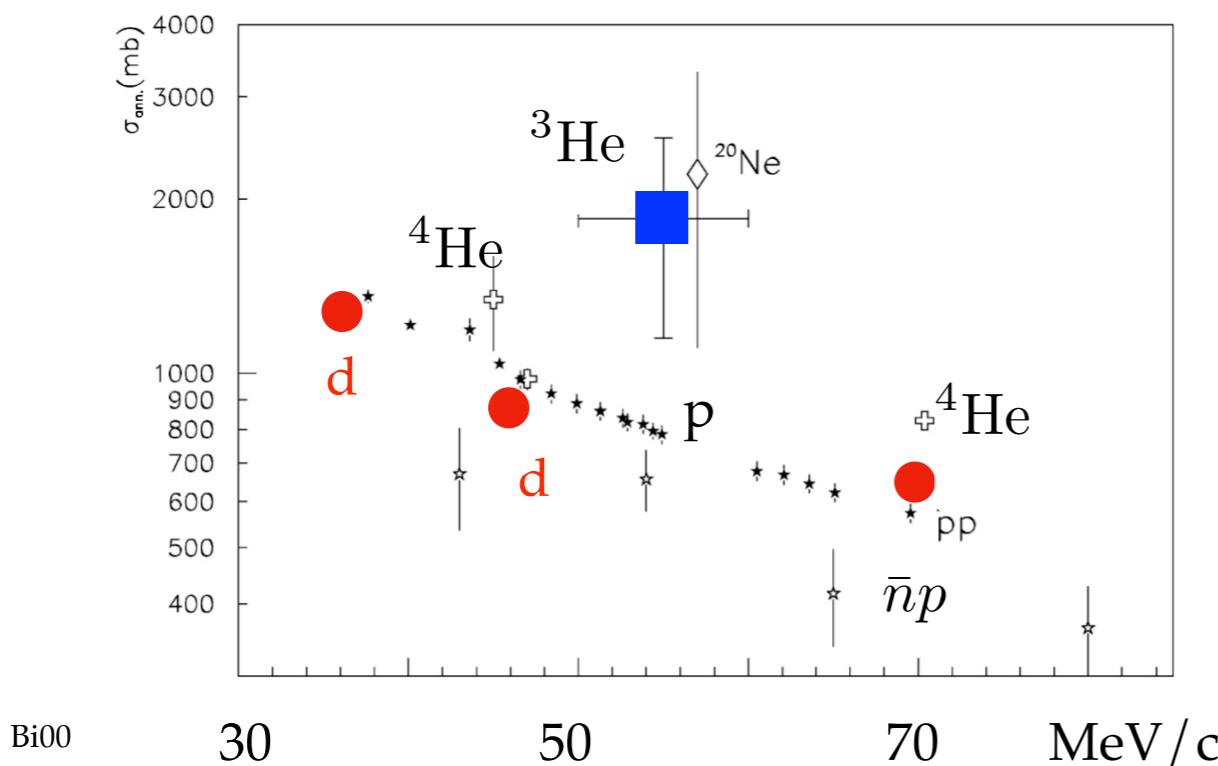
Dol91

- Streamer chamber (PS179)

$\bar{p}\text{Ne}$



Annihilation cross sections:



$d < p$

$^{20}\text{Ne} \simeq ^3\text{He}$

$^3\text{He} > ^4\text{He}$

p in the shadow of the n

Coulomb focussing?

Summary

Global annihilation process in fair agreement with **statistical** distribution
Details are not well understood, e.g. $\bar{K}K$ suppression from P-states, $\rho\pi$ puzzle
Evidence that **quarks** play an important role, e.g. leading to correct pseudoscalar mixing angle

Reason for the **strong violation of OZI** rule is not clear, sea (anti)quarks in the (anti)nucleon?
Pontecorvo reactions are best explained by the **fireball** model

Gas **density** changes the spectroscopy (50:50 S:P at rest NTP H₂ gas)
Several **new mesons** have been observed at low energy $\bar{p}p$ and $\bar{n}p$, tetraquark, baryonium (1), glueball (?)

Prospects:

- investigate $\bar{p}p$ and $\bar{n}p$ in flight **below 200 MeV/c**: FLAIR @ GSI
- annihilation at rest at ELENA (e.g. check Pontecorvo reaction $\bar{p}3N$):
Need **DC beam**: e.g. trap with ELENA $10^6 \bar{p}$ per AD spill
then release $10^4/s$ during 100s AD cycle, solid H₂ target

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Annihilation that should be postponed

Two years from now a unique experimental facility is due to be closed. Already the physicists who use it are allowing good ideas to atrophy in anticipation of its loss. The owners of the facility appear to have terminated all consideration of an extension and, because of political sensitivities, their employees are uncharacteristically reticent when asked to discuss the issue. But need it end this way?

The facility is the Low Energy Antiproton Ring (LEAR) at CERN, which emerged as a by-product of the proton-antiproton collider that was used in the first detections of the W and Z bosons. High-energy protons generated by CERN's proton synchrotron strike a target that produces antiprotons at several GeV, which, in a series of steps, can be decelerated and then stored in LEAR at energies of a few MeV. (This summary glosses over an extraordinary engineering achievement which helped to win Simon van der Meer a share of the 1984 Nobel prize.) Antiprotons extracted from LEAR can be decelerated further to kinetic energies of meV. There is no other facility in the world that provides antiprotons at such low energies.

What are they good for? Three topics within the LEAR programme are generating particular interest. One concerns measurements of the decay products of proton-antiproton collisions, amongst which, theorists are now saying, bound states of gluons ("glueballs") seems likely to have been detected. More generally, LEAR provides a unique probe of still-mysterious aspects of the Standard Model describing gluon behaviour. Second, experiments exploring CP violation provide an important complement to those being carried out in more conventional accelerators. And third, results published earlier this year – more esoteric but certainly of interest to atomic physicists – have illuminated the origin of the unexpectedly long life (microseconds) of antiprotonic helium atoms. Such atoms are formed by the capture of an antiproton by a He⁺ ion prior to annihilation.

The principle reason for the planned closure of LEAR is the Large Hadron Collider, currently awaiting approval by CERN's member states. In practice there is no strong technical reason why LEAR should not continue for several years more – the LHC itself is unlikely to be completed before 2002. But the decision to forego LEAR and other aspects of CERN's experimental programme in order to focus the laboratory's constrained resources on the LHC is nevertheless arguably justifiable. Nobody would claim, on current expectations, that LEAR's physics programme is as fundamentally significant as that of the LHC. More relevantly, CERN has to respond to the demands of member states by prioritizing to keep costs to an absolute minimum.

The fact remains that physicists from several countries (including non-member states such as the US) have a need for LEAR's unique facilities. CERN's announcement that LEAR will have to go if the LHC is approved has already led to planning blight. But gluon and anti-atom explorations deserve a brighter future.

If CERN's controversial sense of priorities is accepted, LEAR's physicists have only one option: to explore whether LEAR can be reformulated as a distinct, multilaterally funded facility sited at CERN. There are no easy ways of achieving this and no precedents. But, as organizations such as the OECD and the European Science Foundation are demonstrating, that route would be entirely in the spirit of today's ever more international approach to funding.



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Ancillary material

Distribution between neutral and charged pions at rest in LH₂

	$0\pi^0$	$1\pi^0$	$2\pi^0$	$3\pi^0$	$4\pi^0$	$5\pi^0$	Total = 84.5
2π	0.33 ± 0.01		0.17 ± 0.01 $\dagger(6.9 \pm 0.4) \times 10^{-2}$				0.50
3π		6.9 ± 0.4		1.2 ± 0.1 $\dagger 0.62 \pm 0.10$			8.1 ± 0.5
4π	6.9 ± 0.6		13.8 ± 1.2 $\dagger 9.3 \pm 0.2$		1.1 ± 0.1 $\dagger 0.31 \pm 0.02$		20.9 ± 1.8
5π		19.6 ± 0.7		13.1 ± 0.5 $\dagger 9.7 \pm 0.6$		0.65 ± 0.02 $\dagger 0.71 \pm 0.14$	33.3 ± 1.2
6π	2.1 ± 0.2		9.5 ± 0.9		3.1 ± 0.3		14.7 ± 1.4
7π		1.9 ± 0.2		4.5 ± 0.5		0.57 ± 0.06	7.0 ± 0.7



Data from Crystal Barrel

Poor agreement for **low multiplicities** (resonances, selection rules from quantum number conservation)

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TABLE II. Branching ratios B for $\bar{p}p$ annihilation at rest in liquid. See Amsler and Myhrer (1991) for annihilation in gaseous hydrogen. Further branching ratios from Dalitz plot analyses are listed in Table XIII below.

Channel		B		Reference
e^+e^-	3.2	\pm	0.9	10^{-7} Bassompierre <i>et al.</i> (1976)
$\pi^0\pi^0$	6.93	\pm	0.43	10^{-4} Amsler <i>et al.</i> (1992a) [‡]
	4.8	\pm	1.0	10^{-4} Devons <i>et al.</i> (1971)
$\pi^+\pi^-$	3.33	\pm	0.17	10^{-3} Armenteros and French (1969)
$\pi^+\pi^-$	3.07	\pm	0.13	10^{-3} Amsler <i>et al.</i> (1993b) [‡]
$\pi^0\eta$	2.12	\pm	0.12	10^{-4} Amsler <i>et al.</i> (1993b) [‡]
$\pi^0\eta'$	1.23	\pm	0.13	10^{-4} Amsler <i>et al.</i> (1993b) [‡]
$\pi^0\rho^0$	1.72	\pm	0.27	10^{-2} Armenteros and French (1969)
$\pi^\pm\rho^\mp$	3.44	\pm	0.54	10^{-2} Armenteros and French (1969)
$\eta\eta$	1.64	\pm	0.10	10^{-4} Amsler <i>et al.</i> (1993b) [‡]
$\eta\eta'$	2.16	\pm	0.25	10^{-4} Amsler <i>et al.</i> (1993b) [‡]
$\omega\pi^0$	5.73	\pm	0.47	10^{-3} Amsler <i>et al.</i> (1993b) ^{a‡}
	6.16	\pm	0.44	10^{-3} Schmid (1991) ^{b‡}
$\omega\eta$	1.51	\pm	0.12	10^{-2} Amsler <i>et al.</i> (1993b) ^{a‡}
	1.63	\pm	0.12	10^{-2} Schmid (1991) ^{b‡}
$\omega\eta'$	0.78	\pm	0.08	10^{-2} Amsler <i>et al.</i> (1993b) [‡]
$\omega\omega$	3.32	\pm	0.34	10^{-2} Amsler <i>et al.</i> (1993b) [‡]
$\eta\rho^0$	4.81	\pm	0.85	10^{-3} ^c
	3.87	\pm	0.29	10^{-3} Abele <i>et al.</i> (1997a) [‡]
$\eta'\rho^0$	1.29	\pm	0.81	10^{-3} Foster <i>et al.</i> (1968a)
	1.46	\pm	0.42	10^{-3} Urner (1995) [‡]
$\rho^0\rho^0$	1.2	\pm	1.2	10^{-3} Armenteros and French (1969)
$\rho^0\omega$	2.26	\pm	0.23	10^{-2} Bizzarri <i>et al.</i> (1969)
K^+K^-	1.01	\pm	0.05	10^{-3} Armenteros and French (1969)
K^+K^-	0.99	\pm	0.05	10^{-3} Amsler <i>et al.</i> (1993b) [‡]
K_SK_L	7.6	\pm	0.4	10^{-4} Armenteros and French (1969)
K_SK_L	9.0	\pm	0.6	10^{-4} Amsler <i>et al.</i> (1995c) [‡]

^aFrom $\omega \rightarrow \pi^0\gamma$.

^bFrom $\omega \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-\pi^0$.

^cAverage between Baltay *et al.* (1966), Espigat *et al.* (1972) and Foster *et al.* (1968a).

[‡]Crystal Barrel experiment.

TABLE III. Pseudoscalar mixing angle θ_p derived from the measured ratios of two-body branching ratios ($\theta_i=35.3^\circ$). The first four rows assume only the quark line rule in the annihilation process. The last six rows assume in addition the dominance of the annihilation graph A.

Ratio	Prediction	θ_p (deg)		
$\tilde{B}(\pi^0\eta)/\tilde{B}(\pi^0\eta')$	$\tan^2(\theta_i - \theta_p)$	−18.1	±	1.6
$\tilde{B}(\eta\eta)/\tilde{B}(\eta\eta')$	$\frac{1}{2}\tan^2(\theta_i - \theta_p)$	−17.7	±	1.9
$\tilde{B}(\omega\eta)/\tilde{B}(\omega\eta')$	$\tan^2(\theta_i - \theta_p)$	−21.1	±	1.5
$\tilde{B}(\eta\rho^0)/\tilde{B}(\eta'\rho^0)$	$\tan^2(\theta_i - \theta_p)$	−25.4	±	5.0 2.9
$\tilde{B}(\eta\rho^0)/\tilde{B}(\omega\pi^0)$	$\sin^2(\theta_i - \theta_p)$	−11.9	±	3.2
$\tilde{B}(\eta'\rho^0)/\tilde{B}(\omega\pi^0)$	$\cos^2(\theta_i - \theta_p)$	−30.5	±	3.5
$\tilde{B}(\eta\eta)/\tilde{B}(\pi^0\pi^0)$	$\sin^4(\theta_i - \theta_p)$	−6.2	±	0.6 1.1
$\tilde{B}(\eta\eta')/\tilde{B}(\pi^0\pi^0)$	$2\sin^2(\theta_i - \theta_p)$ $\times\cos^2(\theta_i - \theta_p)$	14.6	±	1.8
$\tilde{B}(\omega\eta)/\tilde{B}(\pi^0\rho^0)$	$\sin^2(\theta_i - \theta_p)$	−23.7	±	7.6 8.9
$\tilde{B}(\omega\eta')/\tilde{B}(\pi^0\rho^0)$	$\cos^2(\theta_i - \theta_p)$	−20.1	±	3.7

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TABLE VI. Branching ratios for ϕ production at rest in liquid.

Channel	B	Reference
$\pi^0\phi$	$6.5 \pm 0.6 \cdot 10^{-4}$	^a \ddagger
$\pi^0\phi$	$3.0 \pm 1.5 \cdot 10^{-4}$	Chiba <i>et al.</i> (1988)
$\pi^0\phi$	$4.0 \pm 0.8 \cdot 10^{-4}$	Reifenröther <i>et al.</i> (1991) ^{b, c}
$\eta\phi$	$7.8 \pm 2.1 \cdot 10^{-5}$	Amsler <i>et al.</i> (1995c) \ddagger
$\eta\phi$	$3.0 \pm 3.9 \cdot 10^{-5}$	Reifenröther <i>et al.</i> (1991) ^b
$\eta\phi$	$7.6 \pm 3.1 \cdot 10^{-5}$	Albernico <i>et al.</i> (1998)
$\omega\phi$	$6.3 \pm 2.3 \cdot 10^{-4}$	Bizzarri <i>et al.</i> (1971)
$\omega\phi$	$5.3 \pm 2.2 \cdot 10^{-4}$	Reifenröther <i>et al.</i> (1991) ^{b, d}
$\rho^0\phi$	$3.4 \pm 1.0 \cdot 10^{-4}$	Reifenröther <i>et al.</i> (1991) ^b
$\gamma\phi$	$2.0 \pm 0.4 \cdot 10^{-5}$	^a \ddagger

^aUpdates Amsler *et al.* (1995c).

^bAnnihilation in gas extrapolated to pure S-wave annihilation.

^cUsing Chiba *et al.* (1988) in liquid.

^dUsing Bizzarri *et al.* (1971) in liquid.

[‡]Crystal Barrel experiment.

TABLE VII. Ratio of ϕ to ω production in low-energy annihilation in liquid.

X	$\tilde{R}_X[10^{-2}]$		
γ	29.4	\pm	9.7
π^0	10.6	\pm	1.2
η	0.46	\pm	0.13
ω	1.02	\pm	0.39
ρ^0	1.57	\pm	0.49
π^-	13.0	\pm	2.5
π^+	10.8	\pm	1.5
σ	1.75	\pm	0.25
$\pi^+ \pi^-$	1.65	\pm	0.35

Pontecorvo branching ratios

$\bar{p}d \rightarrow \pi^- p$	$(1.41 \pm 0.14) \times 10^{-5}$
$\bar{p}d \rightarrow \pi^0 n$	$(7.02 \pm 0.72) \times 10^{-6}$
$\bar{p}d \rightarrow \eta n$	$(3.19 \pm 0.48) \times 10^{-6}$
$\bar{p}d \rightarrow \omega n$	$(22.8 \pm 4.1) \times 10^{-6}$
$\bar{p}d \rightarrow \eta' n$	$(8.2 \pm 3.4) \times 10^{-6}$
$\bar{p}d \rightarrow \phi n$	$(3.56 \pm 0.25) \times 10^{-6}$
$\bar{p}d \rightarrow \Sigma^0 K^0$	$(2.35 \pm 0.45) \times 10^{-6}$
$\bar{p}d \rightarrow \Lambda K^0$	$(2.15 \pm 0.45) \times 10^{-6}$

Radiative annihilation

TABLE V. Branching ratios B for radiative $\bar{p}p$ annihilation at rest in liquid from Crystal Barrel (Amsler *et al.*, 1993c, 1995c). The lower and upper limits L and U , calculated from the vector dominance model, are given in the third and fourth column, respectively.

Channel	B		L	U
$\pi^0 \gamma$	4.4	\pm 0.4	$\times 10^{-5}$	3.1×10^{-5} 6.8×10^{-5}
$\eta \gamma$	9.3	\pm 1.4	$\times 10^{-6}$	1.0×10^{-6} 2.5×10^{-5}
$\omega \gamma$	6.8	\pm 1.8	$\times 10^{-5}$	8.5×10^{-6} 1.1×10^{-4}
$\eta' \gamma$	<1.2		$\times 10^{-5}$ a	2.7×10^{-7} 10^{-5}
$\gamma \gamma$	<6.3		$\times 10^{-7}$ a	
$\phi \gamma$	2.0	\pm 0.4	$\times 10^{-5}$	2.1×10^{-7} 1.5×10^{-6}

a Upper limit (95% confidence).

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TABLE IX. Branching ratios for $\bar{p}p$ annihilation at rest into three narrow mesons. Mesons in parentheses were not detected.

Channel	Final state	<i>B</i>			Reference	
$\pi^0 \pi^0 \pi^0$	6γ	6.2	\pm	1.0	10^{-3}	Amsler <i>et al.</i> (1995f)‡
$\pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0$	$\pi^+ \pi^- (\pi^0)$	6.9	\pm	0.4	10^{-2}	Foster <i>et al.</i> (1968b)
$\pi^0 \eta \eta$	6γ	2.0	\pm	0.4	10^{-3}	Amsler <i>et al.</i> (1995e)‡
$\pi^0 \pi^0 \omega$	7γ	2.00	\pm	0.21	10^{-2}	Amsler <i>et al.</i> (1993a)‡
	$\pi^+ \pi^- 6\gamma$	2.57	\pm	0.17	10^{-2}	Amsler <i>et al.</i> (1994d)‡
$\pi^+ \pi^- \omega$	$2\pi^+ 2\pi^- (\pi^0)$	6.6	\pm	0.6	10^{-2}	Bizzarri <i>et al.</i> (1969)
$\omega \eta \pi^0$	7γ	6.8	\pm	0.5	10^{-3}	Amsler <i>et al.</i> (1994c)‡
$\pi^0 \pi^0 \eta$	6γ	6.7	\pm	1.2	10^{-3}	Amsler <i>et al.</i> (1994b)‡
	$\pi^+ \pi^- 6\gamma$	6.50	\pm	0.72	10^{-3}	Amsler <i>et al.</i> (1994d)‡
$\pi^+ \pi^- \eta$	$\pi^+ \pi^- 2\gamma$	1.63	\pm	0.12	10^{-2}	Abele <i>et al.</i> (1997a)‡
	$\pi^+ \pi^- 6\gamma$	1.33	\pm	0.16	10^{-2}	Amsler <i>et al.</i> (1994d)‡
	$2\pi^+ 2\pi^- (\pi^0)$	1.38	\pm	0.17	10^{-2}	Espigat <i>et al.</i> (1972)
	$2\pi^+ 2\pi^- (\pi^0)$	1.51	\pm	0.17 0.21	10^{-2}	Foster <i>et al.</i> (1968a)
$\pi^0 \pi^0 \eta'$	10γ	3.2	\pm	0.5	10^{-3}	Abele <i>et al.</i> (1997e)‡
	6γ	3.7	\pm	0.8	10^{-3}	Abele <i>et al.</i> (1997e)‡
$\pi^+ \pi^- \eta'$	$\pi^+ \pi^- 6\gamma$	7.5	\pm	2.0	10^{-3}	Urner (1995)‡
	$3\pi^+ 3\pi^- (\pi^0)$	2.8	\pm	0.9	10^{-3}	Foster <i>et al.</i> (1968a)
$\pi^0 \eta \eta'$	6γ	2.3	\pm	0.5	10^{-4}	Amsler <i>et al.</i> (1994f)‡
$\pi^0 \pi^0 \phi$	$8\gamma(K_L)$	9.7	\pm	2.6	10^{-5}	Abele <i>et al.</i> (1997c)‡
$\pi^+ \pi^- \phi$	$2\pi^+ 2\pi^- (K_L)$	4.6	\pm	0.9	10^{-4}	Bizzarri <i>et al.</i> (1969)
$\pi^0 K_S K_L$	$3\pi^0(K_L)$	6.7	\pm	0.7	10^{-4}	Amsler <i>et al.</i> (1993d) ^a ‡
$\pi^0 K_S K_S$	$2\pi^+ 2\pi^- (\pi^0)$	7.5	\pm	0.3	10^{-4}	^b
$\pi^\pm K^\mp K_S$	$\pi^+ \pi^- \pi^\pm K^\mp$	2.73	\pm	0.10	10^{-3}	^b
$\pi^\pm K^\mp K_L$	$\pi^\pm K^\mp (K_L)$	2.91	\pm	0.34	10^{-3}	Abele <i>et al.</i> (1998d)‡
$\omega K_S K_S$	$3\pi^+ 3\pi^- (\pi^0)$	1.17	\pm	0.07	10^{-3}	Bizzarri <i>et al.</i> (1971)
$\omega K^+ K^-$	$K^+ K^- \pi^+ \pi^- (\pi^0)$	2.30	\pm	0.13	10^{-3}	Bizzarri <i>et al.</i> (1971)

^aUsing $B(\pi^0 \phi)$ from Table VI and Eq. (47).

^bAverage between Armenteros *et al.* (1965) and Barash *et al.* (1965).

‡Crystal Barrel experiment.

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TABLE XI. Branching ratios for $\bar{p}p$ annihilation at rest in liquid into kaonic channels. The branching ratios include only the decay mode of the intermediate resonance leading to the observed final state.

Channel	$\bar{p}p(I)$	Contributing resonances
Subchannel		Branching ratio
$\pi^0 K_L K_L$		$K^*(892), K_0^*(1430), a_2(1320), f_2(1270), f'_2(1525)$ $f_0(1370), f_0(1500), a_0(1450)$
Total ^a		$(7.5 \pm 0.3) \times 10^{-4}$
$K^*(892)\bar{K}$	$^1S_0(0,1)$	$(8.71 \pm 0.68) \times 10^{-5}$
$K_0^*(1430)\bar{K}$		$(4.59 \pm 0.46) \times 10^{-5}$ ^b
$a_2(1320)\pi^0$	$^1S_0(0)$	$(6.35 \pm 0.74) \times 10^{-5}$
$a_0(1450)\pi^0$		$(7.35 \pm 1.42) \times 10^{-5}$ ^c
$f_2(1270)\pi^0$	$^1S_0(1)$	$(4.25 \pm 0.59) \times 10^{-5}$
$f'_2(1525)\pi^0$		$(1.67 \pm 0.26) \times 10^{-5}$
$f_0(1370)\pi^0$		$(2.20 \pm 0.33) \times 10^{-4}$
$f_0(1500)\pi^0$		$(1.13 \pm 0.09) \times 10^{-4}$
$\pi^\pm K^\mp K_L$		$K^*(892), K_0^*(1430), a_2(1320)$ $a_0(980), a_0(1450), \rho(1450/1700)$
Total ^a		$(2.73 \pm 0.10) \times 10^{-3}$
$K^*(892)\bar{K}$	$^1S_0(0)$	$(2.05 \pm 0.28) \times 10^{-4}$
$K_0^*(1430)\bar{K}$		$(8.27 \pm 1.93) \times 10^{-4}$ ^b
$a_0(980)\pi$		$(1.97_{-0.34}^{+0.15}) \times 10^{-4}$
$a_2(1320)\pi$		$(3.99_{-0.83}^{+0.31}) \times 10^{-4}$
$a_0(1450)\pi$		$(2.95 \pm 0.56) \times 10^{-4}$
$K^*(892)\bar{K}$	$^1S_0(1)$	$(3.00 \pm 1.10) \times 10^{-5}$
$K_0^*(1430)\bar{K}$		$(1.28 \pm 0.55) \times 10^{-4}$ ^b
$\rho(1450/1700)\pi$		$(8.73_{-2.75}^{+1.40}) \times 10^{-5}$
$K^*(892)\bar{K}$	$^3S_1(0)$	$(1.50 \pm 0.41) \times 10^{-4}$
$\rho(1450/1700)\pi$		$(8.73 \pm 2.75) \times 10^{-5}$
$K^*(892)\bar{K}$	$^3S_1(1)$	$(5.52 \pm 0.84) \times 10^{-4}$
$a_2(1320)\pi$		$(1.42 \pm 0.44) \times 10^{-4}$

^aFrom the corresponding K_S channels (Armenteros *et al.*, 1965; Barash *et al.*, 1965).

^bIncludes low-energy $K\pi$ scattering.

^cFixed by $\pi^\pm K^\mp K_L$ data.

If R dominates

no $(\bar{d}\bar{d})(\bar{d}\bar{d})$

$$|a^2 \sqrt{2BR(\pi^0\pi^0)} - \sqrt{2BR(\eta\eta)}|^2 \leq 4a^2 BR(\pi^0\eta) \leq |a^2 \sqrt{2BR(\pi^0\pi^0)} + \sqrt{2BR(\eta\eta)}|^2$$

with $a = \sin(\theta_i - \theta_P)$ Data: $6.9 \times 10^{-7} < 5.4 \times 10^{-6} < 1.7 \times 10^{-5}$

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